

Battered Soviet Ship May Be Taken In Tow

Reports Stalin Dead Denied By Soviet Embassy

BERN (CP)—Two Bern newspapers speculated today that Prime Minister Stalin was dead. The Russian Embassy in London said there was nothing to the rumor.

Der Bund headlined its story "Stalin Dead?" in one edition, but changed this later to "About Stalin." It said reports of Stalin's death had been the subject of conversations in the Federal Council, chief executive authority of Switzerland.

"There is a serious background to these reports," Der Bund said. It called the rumor "the topic of the day in Moscow." (No Bern newspaper has a Moscow correspondent.)

The Swedish cancer specialist, Dr. Elis Berven, arrived in Moscow this week on a summons from four Russian doctors who said they wished to consult with him. Nothing on Dr. Berven's activities has come from the Moscow bureau of the Associated Press since a Tuesday dispatch, in which he reiterated that he did not know the identity of the patient whose case he was called to consider.

EX-AMBASSADOR'S REPORT

A report of Stalin on crutches came this week from Mario Pimentel Brandao, who left Moscow in November after serving as Brazilian ambassador to the Soviet Union. He said Stalin's right side was paralyzed. However, persons who reported seeing Stalin in Moscow last month said he was fanned after a vacation in the south of Russia, and appeared in good health.

The Russian leader is 68.

DESCRIBED AS NONSENSE

The Russian radio monitor in London, a unit of the news agency Tass, announced the embassy denial there. The monitor's office called the report "nonsense" and said nothing had been received from Moscow to support it.

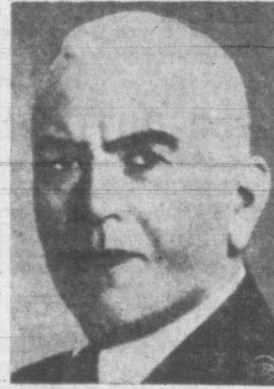
Vladimir Pavlov, counselor of the Soviet embassy in London, called the report "obviously a slanderous and monstrous fabrication." Mikhail Svirin, secretary to the Russian ambassador, commented: "I do not think it is true."

The British Foreign Office reported it had heard nothing about the death rumor.

Stalin's existence and state of well-being have long been the subject of rumors. Only a few days ago the visit of a Swedish cancer specialist to Moscow was linked with the Soviet Premier's health.

As early as 1933 Stalin was

Runs Romania



Premier Petru Grosse of Romania moved swiftly to establish a "popular republic" for the Communist-dominated nation following the abdication of young King Michael. A temporary five-man council of the republic was appointed until the new president is elected.

reported dying from heart disease. Pimentel Brandao, last Brazilian Ambassador in Moscow, said in Rio de Janeiro Wednesday the state of Stalin's health was "very grave."

The latest report from Moscow referring to Stalin's health came just over a fortnight ago and said it appeared to be excellent when, wearing his generalissimo's uniform, he voted in the city's municipal election. He had recently spent a long holiday on the Black Sea Riviera and the first photograph published since his return showed he had put on weight.

The last previous persistent series of rumors of Stalin's ill-health was about a year ago.

Driven Out By Fire

NEW YORK (AP)—About 75 families were driven to the street in their nightclothes early today when fire swept six three-story frame dwellings in Brooklyn. Police had no immediate report of any injuries.

Arabs Strike Back At Jews For Gate Attack

JERUSALEM (AP)—The toll of deaths in Palestine since the United Nations' partition decision last Nov. 29 soared to 627 today as Arabs struck back in retaliation for the Jaffa Gate attack of Wednesday where 17 Arabs and three Jews were slain and 36 Arabs and two British policemen injured.

Two Jews were killed when a band of Arabs attacked a Halfa-Tel Aviv bus shortly after dawn and another was slain on the coastal plain as Arabs sniped at the village of Telerish, near Jaffa.

One Arab was killed in a pre-dawn attack on Jerusalem's Mehor Haim settlement, met by sharp Jewish gunfire.

HUNDREDS AT FUNERAL

Several hundred Arabs sullenly attended funeral services outside the walled city of Jerusalem this morning for Arabs slain in Wednesday's Jaffa Gate attack.

Meanwhile three Jews were killed and two captured as they fled from a hospital with one of their comrades, wounded and captured Wednesday by police in the gate attack. Police said an armed band of seven walked into the clinic where the wounded Jew was being treated. Several carried him away while the others engaged in a revolver battle. Apparently the wounded prisoner escaped with remainder of his rescuers.

The wounded man was identified as Uri Cohen, 20, "known and wanted as a member of Irgun-Zvai Leumi," Jewish underground organization. A constable had been assigned to guard him, but police officials declined to say where the guard was at the time of the delivery.

Hospital Rates Up At St. Joseph's

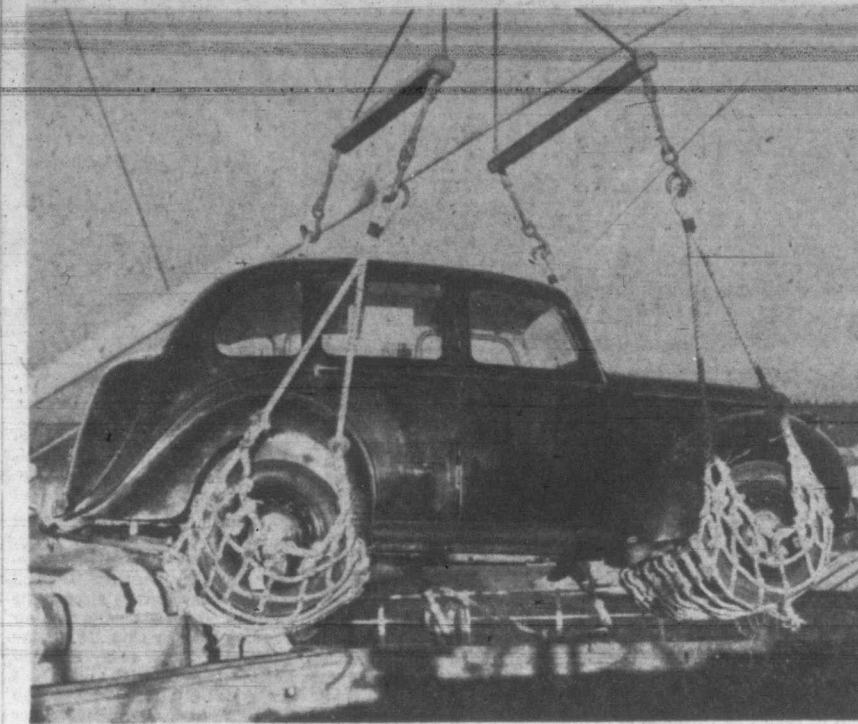
Soaring costs-of-everything in the hospital line have resulted in a \$2 increase in ward and private rates, effective Jan. 12, at St. Joseph's Hospital, following a meeting of the hospital board. Sister Superior announced today.

"The same situation exists here as at Royal Jubilee and other hospitals," Sister Superior said.

"After studying the situation and our inability to cope any longer with rates as they now exist, we find ourselves reluctantly compelled to increase our rates in order to give the same service we have always given."

The increase will bring the public ward rate from \$4.50 to \$6.50 a day and the private room rate from the present \$6.50 a day to \$8.50. Semi-private rooms will also be increased \$2 a day.

Last Pre-Embargo Cars Landed Here



One of the last pre-embargo English automobiles swinging out over a forward hold of the Royal Mail Line Ss. Loch Ryan at Ogden Point docks this morning. George Paulin, of George Paulin Ltd., shipping agents, said today the Loch Ryan sailed from the United Kingdom before the embargo went into force but he believes the embargo may be replaced soon by a quota system which will allow further English cars to be sent here. The Loch Ryan carried nine automobiles for Victoria and a small cargo of household goods.

Early March Date Expected For Opening Of Legislature

March 2 and 9 are the most frequently mentioned dates for the opening of the forthcoming session of the B.C. Legislature.

No official announcement has yet been made by Premier Byron I. Johnson. The opening of the session this year will be later than usual because of the delay in the preparation of legislation and estimates, caused by the selection of a new premier, and the by-elections in Saanich and Carleton.

Mr. Johnson has called the by-elections for Feb. 23. Should the Legislative Assembly convene March 9 the newly-elected members will thus be able to sit in the House.

In further preparation for the forthcoming session Premier Johnson today announced the appointment of James L. Webster, Liberal Coalition member for Rossland-Trail, as Liberal Whip. Preparation of department estimates has been under way at the Parliament Buildings by various department heads since the New Year.

With Easter coming early this year—Good Friday is March 26—an adjournment of a week or 10 days may be called in the middle

of the session to permit members of the Legislature to return to their homes for the holiday.

The burden of piloting some of the most contentious legislation through the house is expected to fall on the shoulders of Education Minister W. T. Strath, youngest in service member of the cabinet. His duty will be to carry into the house amendments to the Public Schools Act, which in both urban and rural districts has been widely protested.

Amendments to the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1947, against which strong campaigns have been organized by trade unions, particularly of those of the Canadian Congress of Labor group, are planned by Attorney-General and Labor Minister Gordon S. Wismer. It is expected these amendments, among others, will provide for the elimination of penalties against individual union members.

Also on the legislative calendar will be legislation to encourage farm wood-lot production of pulp and other logs. Lands and Forest Minister E. T. Kenney has announced.

Gale Warning

The Dominion Public Weather Office at Vancouver issued the following forecast:

Increasing southerly winds are expected to reach gale force of 35 to 45 miles an hour over waters of Queen Charlotte Sound this morning, and along the west coast of Vancouver Island this afternoon, decreasing to southerly 20 tonight.

2 Young Men Get \$230 In Chinatown Street Robbery

Lee Wo, 40, who resides at 575 Johnson Street was the victim of a robbery at 4:35 this morning on lower Fisgard Street when he was set upon by two young men and robbed of \$230 in bills and silver, city police reported.

As soon as they were informed of the robbery, city police combed the city for suspicious characters, but owing to the brief glimpse the Chinese got of his assailants, he was unable to identify three suspects placed in a line-up.

All Wo could tell the police in regard to a description was that they were young men.

Sgt. W. Andrews and Constable J. Perry located three 17-year-olds in the Savoy Cafe in the police search for persons who might have had a hand in the robbery.

According to the story told the police, Wo was walking west on Fisgard and in the vicinity of the Victoria Cafe on the south side was attacked by the two men who tore a small grip from his hand and fled.

Setting 1948 Levy Difficult Task Mayor Tells Rotary

The 1948 city council faces one of the most difficult tasks in setting the current tax rate, Mayor Percy George told the Rotary Club today as he expressed complete satisfaction with the 1947 tax collections, which amounted to \$4,319 per cent of the levy.

This is a slight drop from the all-time high record of 95.275 per cent collected during 1946, he pointed out, although in cash it is \$173,813 more than last year's figure.

City Comptroller D. A. MacDonald came within 104 per cent of his estimate on the 1947 collections, the mayor told the gathering, as at the start of the year he estimated \$1,789,618 would be collected, whereas actually \$1,787,646 was paid.

During the past year \$111,455 was collected in tax arrears, and \$193,493 realized from the sale of reverted lands. This is a drop of more than \$100,000 from the 1946 figure of \$301,205, the mayor stated, and the entire sum was put to debt reduction.

He said he could make no forecast regarding the 1948 mill rate because there are so many imponderables entering the picture to make it difficult.

"We cannot hope to solve all these problems by May 15, when the mill rate must be struck," he pointed out. "We must try and guess properly and cut our cloth accordingly."

Big Waves Lash Vessel Carrying 780 Passengers

TOKYO (AP)—Fifty-foot seas lashed the disabled Russian ship Dvina off northeast Japan today, but her condition was regarded as improved and officials considered towing the vessel and her 780 passengers to safety.

Three rescue ships were standing by and others hurried toward the leaking vessel, pounded for 24 hours by massive waves which prevented attempts to remove the passengers during a day-long rescue effort.

Standing by are a Russian patrol boat, the tanker Yoko Maru and the freighter Taihoku Maru, the last two Japanese-manned. A second Russian ship was reported two hours distant and six U.S.-controlled but Japanese-manned vessels were en route to lend assistance.

The U.S. Air Force reported that a rescue plane would circle the Dvina throughout the night.

NO SIGNALS

Earlier reports had said the ship might sink in a few hours. An American airman reported at 11 a.m. (6 p.m. Wednesday P.S.T.) that the Dvina's decks were awash. Later, the crew of a reconnaissance plane said after circling the ship for five hours that they had been unable to make contact with the ship by radio or blinker signal.

"While we were over the ship, a Japanese tanker appeared and came within 200 yards of the Russian ship and stopped," said Lieut. Henry Deuschendorf, pilot of the reconnaissance plane. "We were flying at 1,000 feet and were unable to see whether the tanker got a line aboard."

One of Dvina's first distress messages Wednesday had reported it is necessary to remove passengers immediately. It added that waves surging across her decks were filling the ship and that she had only one lifeboat.

United States naval authorities said they were informed the Dvina, identified to them as a 1,773-ton vessel, was en route to Vladivostok from Kamchatka when she encountered trouble off southern Hokkaido Island, several hundred miles south of her normal course. Lacking information, they assumed the passengers were Russians.

Pitched Battle in Brazil As Police Halt Red Paper

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP)—Police here fought today with Communists attempting to publish an edition of their newspaper in the wake of congressional action withdrawing the last vestige of legality from the Brazilian Communist Party.

Four Communists were wounded. Police broke into the printing plant, using tear gas bombs and machine guns, when workers refused to halt presses printing an edition covering the action by the Chamber of Deputies Wednesday night stripping Brazilian Communists, the largest Communist Party in the western hemisphere, of all elective posts.

The edition was being printed in the plant formerly used by the Communist newspaper Tribuna Popular, suspended for attacks on the government during the debate on the bill to oust Communist legislators.

The outburst came when police tried to enforce an order to close the newspaper for 15 days but were refused admittance.

TOMMY-GUNS AND GAS

A carload of 40 red-capped shock police rolled up, armed with tommy-guns. They reared toward the door under fire and sprayed the shop with bullets. Then they blasted holes in the grating, through which they shot tear gas, nauseating gas and asphyxiation gas. The Communists inside hurled incendiary bombs and hand grenades at the doorway, but none landed outside.

The gas took effect, and soon 20 Communists staggered out. The police, now numbering about 100, arrested them as they emerged.

The Chamber of Deputies passed, and President Eurico Gaspar Dutra immediately

LATEST

At Least 1 Dead In Montreal Blast

MONTREAL (CP)—A mid-afternoon gas explosion in the basement of the Kings-Hall building in downtown Montreal took the life of at least one man and did extensive damage to the first two floors of the building and shops on the street level.

The explosion occurred shortly after 3 p.m., about the time St. Catharines Street, in front of the building near the corner of Mountain Street, is jammed with mid-afternoon shoppers. Several persons were injured.

Natural Gas Blast

TURNER VALLEY, Alta. (CP)—George Godkin, 39, his wife and six-week-old daughter, were in hospital in this Alberta oil centre today suffering from serious burns suffered in a natural gas explosion and fire in their two-room home Wednesday. Turner Valley is about 45 miles southwest of Calgary.

Predicts Increase In Wheat Payment

EDMONTON (CP)—The increase in the initial wheat payment of \$1.35 a bushel on the 1945-46-47 crops is expected to be much more than 20 cents a bushel, Trade Minister MacKinnon said here today.

He said legislation would be brought in early in the session of Parliament to provide for an increase in initial payment.

Marshall Blunt On Need For Quick Help To Europe

WASHINGTON (AP)—State Secretary Marshall appealed to the United States Congress today for an "adequate, prompt and effectively administered" European aid program and bluntly challenged the legislators:

"Either undertake to meet the requirements of the problem or don't undertake it at all."

At the same time he rejected outright the Republican-backed proposal to create a new government corporation to administer the projected aid program. He called for a single administrator responsible to the President and working in harmony with the State Secretary on foreign policy questions.

"There cannot be two secretaries of state," Marshall asserted.

FIRST OF WITNESSES

The man whose name designates the "Marshall Plan" for European recovery appeared before the Senate foreign relations committee as the first of more than a dozen high officials assigned to present the democratic administration's case to the Republican Congress for a four-year, multi-billion-dollar program of assistance to western Europe. Marshall declared, "Dollars will not save the world but the world cannot be saved without dollars."

His briskly-written, 5,000-word statement sketched the arguments for the huge project, told how and why he thinks it should work, why he considers it necessary and what it ought to cost.

He described the \$6,800,000,000 which President Truman has asked for the first 15 months of the plan, as a "precision figure" which "does not represent a gross estimate of requirements. It was not an 'asking figure' based on expected cuts by Congress."

As for the whole undertaking, he reiterated earlier estimates that the cost might range between \$15,100,000,000 and \$17,800,000,000 but "the over-all cost is not capable of precise determination so far in advance."

"Three principles should determine the amount and timing of our aid," he said. "It must be adequate. It must be prompt. It must be effectively applied."

WOULD BE WASTE

"An inadequate program would involve a wastage of our resources."

The alternative to economic recovery was a western European collapse in which "the historic base of western civilization will take on a new form in the image of the tyranny that we fought to destroy in Germany."

"Our national security will be seriously threatened. We shall live in effect in an armed camp, regulated and controlled."

Victory And Defeat In Germany



Old tree stump near the Prussian Victory Monument in Berlin's destroyed Tiergarten was a lucky find for this German, aged 52. It means fuel to keep his 10 children warm.

Hotel-Like Homes For Britain's Aged; No Charity Stigma

LONDON (CP)—Britain's indigent aged in future will be housed in institutions like residential hotels, and names like "Eventide Homes" will be avoided.

Health Minister Bevan, speaking in support of the National Assistance Bill to establish new services for the needy, said he had cudgelled his brain to think of a name for the homes.

"Eventide Homes," a Labor member suggested.

"No, many old people think they are at the dawn, not eventide," Bevan replied.

"Sanctuaries" was almost as bad as "Eventide Homes." "Retreats" was even worse.

So the homes would be like hotels, each with its own selected name, and, as bigness was the enemy of humanity, there would not be more than 25 to 30 persons in each.

The homes will be established by local authorities. Accommodation will cost £21s. (\$4.20) weekly, leaving 5s. weekly as pocket money for the pensioner receiving 26s. The national assistance board will make up the total of 26s. for those whose pensions are less than that amount. The necessity for enlarged ac-

commodation for the aged was indicated by the minister's estimate that by 1970 old people would be one in five of the total population, "a staggering figure."

Old age pensions are payable to men at 65 years and to women at 60, if they retire from employment. But of the 7,000 who become eligible for pensions every week, two-thirds continue at their jobs.

Bevan said that 95 per cent of old people—those who obtain pensions—live independent lives in their own homes or those of their children.

The minister, with responsibility for the United Kingdom general housing program, said construction of new homes for the aged will be in line with overall building progress.

"We shall be putting young people into homes at one end and placing old people in homes at the other end," he said.

Appeal Dismissed

TORONTO (CP)—The Ontario Court of Appeal today dismissed the appeal of Edgar James Simons, convicted of the murder last April 19 of Mrs. Catharine Rupert of Pancake Bay and sentenced to be hanged Jan. 21. Simons was convicted of the rape-slaying of the 24-year-old wife of his employer, whose bullet-riddled body was found along with that of her two-year-old son at the husband's northern resort camp.

Toronto Mayor Returned To Office For Fourth Term



Greatest number of votes ever accorded a mayoralty candidate in Toronto, Ont., civic elections, returned Mayor Robert H. Saunders, seen with his daughter, Mardi, to office for his fourth successive term. The entire board of control was re-elected along with him.

Took Loss On Corn Morgenthau Claims

WASHINGTON (AP)—A United States Senate committee investigating grain speculation is going to look into trading activities of Henry Morgenthau Jr., former Secretary of Treasury, Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) said today.

Ferguson told reporters the appropriations sub-committee which he heads at least will want to know the extent of Morgenthau's grain dealings and whether they extend back to the time he was in the cabinet.

Morgenthau's name appeared on a new list of corn traders made public by Secretary of Agriculture Anderson.

Morgenthau acknowledged he owned 195,000 bushels of corn futures last June 30, but he said in a statement in New York that he lost money.

"I don't know whether we will call him down here," Ferguson said, "but we will ask him for information as to his trading and whether it might go back to the time he was Secretary of the Treasury."

Charles Michelson Dies

WASHINGTON (AP)—Charles Michelson, 79, newspaperman and former publicity director of the Democratic National Committee, died today. A veteran political writer, he took over as Democratic press agent in 1929 and held the post for 13 years.

In 1940 he promoted a third term for Franklin D. Roosevelt—the first ever given a president.

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Moslems Accused Of Attempting Coup Before U.N. Acts

NEW DELHI (CP)—Observers in this capital of Hindu India today linked intensified attacks by Moslem raiders in the princely state of Kashmir to the fact that the United Nations' Security Council will discuss the Kashmir issue next week.

The theory here was that the raiders are making an all-out attempt to grab as much territory as they can to strengthen their bargaining position for any territorial sharing which might be the Security Council's judgment.

Meanwhile in Moslem's Pakistan capital of Karachi, Premier Mohammed Ayub Khuroo of the Province of Sind announced 122 persons had been killed and 200 injured in two days of communal rioting there. He said 61 of the dead were Sikhs.

The communal strife is sparked by causes similar to those of the Kashmir fighting, where the raiders are protesting the accession of the predominantly Moslem State to India by

Reprieves Sought For 2 Murderers

WALLA WALLA, Wash. (AP)—Hurried, last-minute efforts were made today to obtain reprieves and stays of execution for two slayers sentenced to be hanged, one a 17-year-old youth and the other Jake Bird, 45-year-old negro who has confessed knowledge of a score of murders committed during the past two decades.

Barring executive clemency, Joe Malish, former Vancouver, Wash., high school athlete, will go to the gallows a few minutes after midnight tonight. He was convicted of stabbing LaDonna Tosca, a Vancouver, Wash., girl, a year ago last December when she resisted his advances in the kitchen of a neighbor's home.

Louis Schaefer, the Malish youth's attorney, led efforts to obtain executive clemency.

"The gallows is not the answer to what should be done for a mentally sick boy," Schaefer said.

The attempt to prolong Bird's life was made by Attorney Charles Luce, Walla Walla, who was named his representative after Bird had said he would "clear up" 10 more killings over the country. Last week Bird admitted 12 others, including that of the Tacoma woman, Mrs. Bertha Kludt, last Oct. 30, for which he was convicted of first degree murder, and her daughter. Bird is scheduled to be hanged Jan. 16. Luce said he hoped the petition would reach the governor late today or tomorrow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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An exhibit of paintings by Arthur Checkley at Newlyn Studios, 1358 Pandora near Fernwood, Jan. 8 to 14, 2 to 5.30. You are invited.

Attention, Shareholders of the Victoria Shipyard Workers Building Co-operative Association. The annual general meeting will be held on Jan. 8, 1948, at 7.30 p.m., in the Boilermakers Hall, 902 Government Street.

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Synopsis—An extensive low pressure area persists in the Gulf of Alaska causing a series of disturbances to sweep eastward across the province. Continued showery weather will be general during the next 48 hours.

Vancouver and vicinity lower Fraser Valley and Georgia Strait—Cloudy with scattered showers today and Friday. Winds southerly 15. Little change in temperature.

West coast Vancouver Island—Cloudy with showers today and Friday. Winds southwest 20. Little change in temperature.

	To 9 a.m. Today	Min.	Max.	Precip.
Montreal	21	26	31	
Toronto	12	14	16	
North Bay	12	14	16	
Port Arthur	24	28	34	
Kenora	13	14	16	
Winnipeg	14	24	28	
Brandon	14	24	28	
The Pas	14	24	28	
Regina	18	27	31	
Saskatoon	18	27	31	
Prince Albert	22	23	25	
North Battleford	8	23	25	
Swift Current	21	23	25	
Medicine Hat	30	33	35	
Calgary	24	34	38	
Edmonton	10	24	28	
Kamloops	24	34	38	
Penticton	35	41	45	
Vancouver	41	49	51	
Victoria	49	59	61	
Cranbrook	19	26	30	
Crescent Valley	42	51	59	
Prince Rupert	34	43	45	
Portland	42	52	58	
Seattle	42	51	59	
Chicago	31	49	52	
Los Angeles	49	61	61	
New York	27	35	35	

Royal Bank President Warns Of 2 Dangers

MONTREAL (CP)—Sydney G. Dobson, president of the Royal Bank of Canada, today told the 79th annual meeting of shareholders Canada is facing two dangers—inflation at home and the possibility of economic collapse in Europe. Both must be met, he said, if this country is to maintain its present prosperity.

"Price rises make it more necessary than ever for us to measure our real advance in dollars of constant value," he said.

"The rest of the rise in money value is for the most part the empty air of inflation. When money incomes are excessive relative to the available supply of goods, as they are now, the logical way to reduce pressure

on prices is to increase the supply of goods.

"We have the physical equipment to do this, but the human factor is needed, a competent workman seeking to get out of his machine the whole production of which it is capable."

Mr. Dobson said salvation of European economy must be based on a North American plan, and "Canada will play her full and fair share in it."

"It is significant that in all the world the only two countries to which Europe can turn for effective help are these two democracies of America, free-enterprise countries. It is obviously not we who are unstable, but the totalitarian countries."

James Muir, the bank's general manager, said no extensive program of bank premises development had been launched because of high costs and scarcity of material. He reported the Royal Bank has 71 branches outside of Canada.

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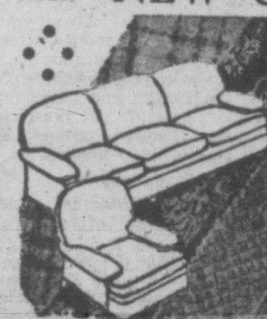
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Want Schuschnigg

NUERNBERG (AP)—A U.S. court trying former German Foreign Ministry officials on war crimes charges decided today to ask the former Austrian Chancellor, Kurt von Schuschnigg, to return from the United States to testify. Defence lawyers objected to an affidavit in which Schuschnigg told how the Germans took over Austria in 1938.

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Leduc Oilfield May Double Size

CALGARY (CP)—Oilmen in Calgary said there was a possibility that the Leduc oilfield was double its present known size following announcement by officials of Imperial Oil Company Limited that a new well gave up 3,250,000 cubic feet of gas on a drill stem test Wednesday.

The Lell, Wilcat Imperial Woodbend, is three-and-one-half miles northwest of the known field. The test was made between 5,238 feet and 5,246 feet in the preous D-3 zone.

Oilmen said the announcement meant the company had either discovered a new oilfield in the area or had made a large extension of the old. An extension would double the present size of the Leduc field.

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Ex-King Michael Says Goodbye



In voluntary exile, ex-King Michael of Romania arrived in Lausanne, Switzerland, Monday. He is shown bidding farewell to the Romanian government's Communist foreign minister, Mrs. Anna Pauker, at Bucharest, as he set out on his trip. Michael remained behind closed doors and drawn curtains during the train's two-hour stop at the border.

Execution In Ontario Jail

PORT ARTHUR (CP)—A tale of murder in December snows of northwestern Ontario more than a year ago reached its final chapter in the district jail at 11:30 Wednesday night when Charles Martin, 35, was hanged for the slaying of a 71-year-old prospector.

An assize jury last November found Martin, a former Vancouver resident, guilty of the murder of Joseph Grant on the latter's mining property at

Cook's Lake, near Schreiber, Ont.

Grant's assistant, Marcel Duchesneau, 28, also had been killed. Although believed to have died in December, 1946, their bodies were not discovered until early spring. Police said the murder of Grant and his young partner apparently had been motivated by theft.

\$15,000 Burned

MONTREAL (CP)—Romeo Bernier, who told police he got rid of his loot by spending \$1,000 in cash and burning \$15,000 in bonds, was sentenced today to five years in the penitentiary.

Dewey Blames High Costs On President

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)—Governor Thomas Dewey blamed President Truman Wednesday for the "exorbitant" cost of living and submitted to the New York Legislature a program to check inflation in the state, highlighted by a pledge of no new taxes.

Dollar devaluation, the increase in debt and other policies of President Roosevelt in the 1930's also contributed "to the perilous situation in which our country finds itself," Dewey contended in his annual message to the 171st session of the Legislature.

Dewey, an undeclared candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination, said "the danger of runaway price inflation resulting from wartime pressures was clear at the end of hostilities. In greater production lies the direct answer to the shortages of the things that are at the seat of national and world inflation," he told the Republican-controlled Legislature.

Saw Virgin Mary Say Breton Girls

PARIS (Reuter)—Three young girls of the Breton village of Prescop near Rennes claim to have seen a vision of the Virgin Mary twice during the last three weeks, Paris evening papers said Wednesday.

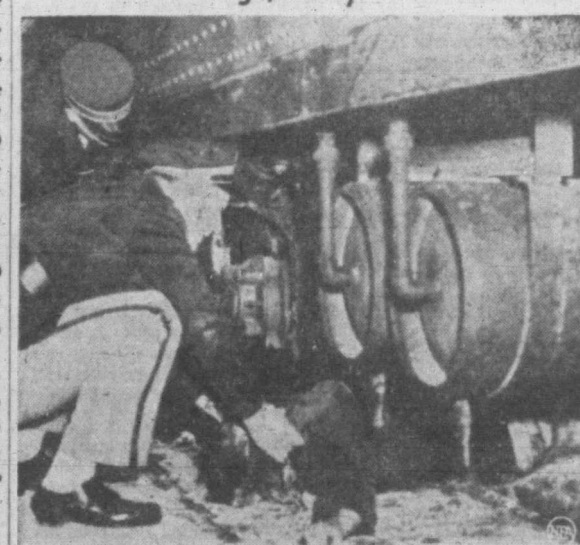
Four young girls of the Ile Bouchard in the Indre et Loire Department of central France said Dec. 15 that the Virgin had appeared to them and commanded them to have a grotto built in her honor.

The Prescop girls said that as they were walking to church Dec. 26 they were dazzled by a ball of fire which descended from the sky and out of which stepped a radiant young girl dressed in a long blue gown.

She told them she was the Virgin Mary and asked them to return to the same spot the next day, they said. The next day they were again met by the Virgin Mary, accompanied by the Archangel Gabriel, and she imparted to them "four great secrets."

The girls declined to reveal the secrets. Their story has led many pilgrims from all parts of France to the spot where they first had their vision.

Train Takes Legs, Baby



Mrs. Evelyn Mark, 33, of South Bend, Ind., lost both her legs and her baby daughter was killed when the automobile in which she was riding skidded and crashed into an electric train at South Bend. The train conductor and a policeman are shown as they removed Mrs. Mark, unconscious, from beneath the train.

News of the Island

Duncan Legion Officers Installed

DUNCAN—L. W. Matthew was installed as president of the Cowichan Branch of the Canadian Legion at the annual meeting here.

Others installed were: J. E. Moore, first vice-president, and R. F. Barnes, second vice-president. Committee members were: Miss G. E. Greenwood, Miss M. E. Masters, and O. T. Smythe; F. Baxendale, C. E. Bradley, J. R. LaQuenne, E. Freshwater, A. J. Castle and T. M. Wilson.

The retiring president, O. T. Smythe, was presented with a past president's badge. At the executive meeting held following the installation by A. J. Castle, the following were appointed members of the entertainment committee: Mr. Matthew, W. J. S. Hatter and T. Brewer. Mr. Smythe will edit the veterans' paper, assisted by Mr. Hatter and W. Dobson.

T. Norman Heads Langford Legion

LANGFORD—Trevor Norman was elected president of the Prince Edward Branch of the Canadian Legion at the annual meeting in the club rooms here.

Others elected were: Bert Leggett, first vice-president; R. H. Saunders, second vice-president; G. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer; Kenneth Robinson, sergeant-at-arms, and Messrs. G. Smith, W. Montgomery and Colin Smith, committee.

Mrs. Frances Thompson was elected president of the Women's Auxiliary to the Legion. Others elected were: Mrs. N. Baxter, first vice-president; Mrs. G. MacGregor, second vice-president; Miss Helen Butler, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. R. Fraser, social convener.

Duncan School Board To Discuss Wages

DUNCAN—School management committee will enter into negotiations with the Teachers' Federation concerning salary revisions, members of the Cowichan School District No. 65 Board decided at their meeting.

The teachers have asked for a 20 per cent raise across the board.

Trustee W. J. Long was re-elected chairman of the board. On the committees are: Finance, Trustees Long, W. Spencer and Mrs. E. M. King; school management, Trustees A. H. Plows and W. A. Seymour; buildings, Trustees W. Spencer, T. L. Garner and G. E. Bonner; transportation, Trustees P. R. Leighton and C. R. West; rural committee, Trustees West, Bonner and Mrs. King; social committee, Trustee Mrs. King.

Langford Church Annual Meeting

LANGFORD—Annual meeting of St. Matthew's Church parishioners will be held Monday night at 8 in the community hall here.

Following the business session a social hour will be held.

Constable Acquitted

VANCOUVER (CP)—J. S. M. Malley, a former Vancouver police constable, was acquitted by an assize court jury Wednesday on a charge of attempting to solicit a \$20 bribe from Abraham Friesen. The complainant claimed Malley had stopped his truck on Oct. 27, accused him of exceeding a speed limit, and offered to forget the offence for a financial consideration. Malley denied the charge.

Maj. Gen. Meyers Pleads Not Guilty

WASHINGTON (AP)—Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers Wednesday pleaded innocent to a federal indictment charging him with committing perjury by lying to a Senate war investigating committee about his private wartime business dealings.

The retired air force purchasing officer also pleaded innocent to another indictment charging him with inducing a former business associate to swear falsely to the Senate committee.

Meyers was indicted on three charges of perjury and on three charges that he persuaded Bleriot H. Lamerre, 35, a former business associate of the general, to tell falsehoods to the Senate committee.

Federal Judge David A. Pine, before whom Meyers was arraigned, set the trial for Feb. 16. Meyers was allowed to go free, but Judge Pine ordered him to be fingerprinted and photographed.

6-Day Week For M.L.A.'s

QUEBEC (CP)—Premier Duplessis announced Wednesday to do away with "useless delays" during the Quebec Legislature session, opening next week, he will present a motion calling for sittings of the Legislative Assembly six days a week.

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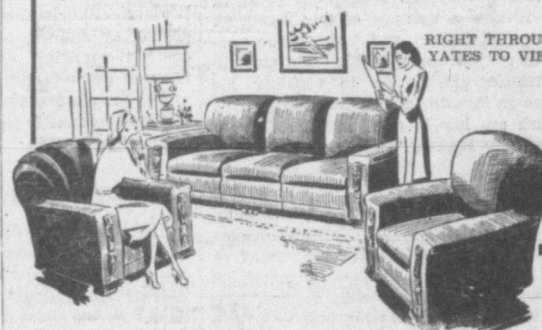
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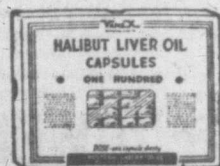
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- Sucrets Pastilles 25c
- Chase's Cough Syrup 35c
- and 75c
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- Wood's Norway Pine 39c
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MARSHALL'S WARNING

MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES Foreign Relations Committee, sitting in the spacious office building of the upper chamber adjacent to the great Capitol structure, heard Secretary of State Marshall warn the Congress that if it postponed the application of the European aid plan which bears his name, it would do so at the nation's peril. Nor did this distinguished military figure mince matters when he told the seven Republicans and the six Democrats who compose this important Senatorial body that the elected representatives of the people had better make up their minds either to undertake to meet the requirements of the problem as he saw it, or "don't undertake it at all." This was plain talk; it is in harmony with what impartial and thoughtful observers of the European scene have been saying ever since it became terrifyingly apparent that the technique of the men in charge at the Kremlin was to capitalize on chaos. Of course, the small coterie in Moscow is looking down its totalitarian nose at any proposal calculated to turn the thoughts of hungry men and hungry women toward that measure of freedom which they understood the dissolution of the Axis and all its works would guarantee.

Fortunately for the cause which General Marshall is pleading, the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is Senator Arthur Vandenberg, an erstwhile isolationist who has contributed so wholeheartedly and, perhaps, at the cost of some political advantage, to the bipartisan policy which took root in Washington under the wise guidance of Mr. Cordell Hull while the Second World War was still taking its toll in human and material treasure. This may be no guarantee that the Senator from Michigan, handicapped as he must feel himself to be by those influential members of his party who, while at the moment in control of both Houses of the Congress, are dead set on booting Mr. Truman out of the White House next November. But Mr. Vandenberg may find considerable support from such members of his Foreign Relations Committee as Hickenlooper of Iowa and Capper of Kansas, both more or less internationally-minded. In the final analysis, however, regardless of the recommendations of this tribunal, the decision is that of the Congress.

That portion in the lengthy statement which Secretary Marshall underlined with the warning that "an inadequate program would involve a wastage of our resources with an ineffective result" should be pondered in conjunction with his plain and understandable exhortation to consider his plan "as an investment in peace"—the terms of which are low in cost. As the General quite rightly argued, "dollars will not save the world, but the world today cannot be saved without dollars." And he was on the soundest of ground when he further pointed out to the committee that "three principles should determine the amount and timing of our aid: It must be adequate; it must be prompt; it must be effectively applied." To all of which the peace-loving peoples of the world will echo a loud Amen. But at this point the outside observer must content himself with the basic fact that what the Congress at Washington does or does not do is its own business. All this notwithstanding, by another token, it is permitted to hope that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee will endorse and send to Congress such proposals as General Marshall considers might well go far to refute, in concrete form, the growing contention that a Third World War is inevitable.

QUESTION OF TIME?

ONE OF THE STATEMENTS WHICH Hon. Herbert Anscomb, leader of the provincial Progressive Conservative Party, voiced over the airways on Monday night was an implicit declaration that he would support the Coalition system of government in British Columbia until "the threat of the totalitarian state" had vanished. The Minister of Finance in the Johnson-Anscomb administration elaborated his theme to a greater extent than can be dealt with in the space at our command. But when he said that it is far better to maintain in this province "a strong coalition of two democratic parties than a united socialistic front," he was using language with which every right-thinking voter will agree. Nor will anybody seriously refute his contention that it will be time for the Coalition to decide its future when the threat of the ultra-leftist ideology ceases to exist.

Those who listened carefully to Mr. Anscomb's radio speech, however, would have been a great deal more enlightened about his basic political concept had he elaborated on his statement that "there are important differences between the theories of Conservatives and Liberals"—particularly as he argued that the adherents to both these traditional philosophies "are advocates of the system of free enterprise." Assuming, by the same token, that the Minister of Finance sought to imply a basic difference between the provincial Liberal and the provincial Progressive Conserva-

tive, it would be interesting to know just where and how wide he would draw the line of demarcation between, for instance, his political philosophy and that to which Premier Johnson subscribes.

Nothing in the foregoing is intended to imply that Mr. Anscomb is looking forward to the day when, by the inexorable processes of the whirligig of time, political conditions may be propitious for him to aspire to the Premiership of British Columbia as the leader of the provincial Progressive Conservative Party. Nor do we think Mr. Johnson's colleague under the new dispensation had anything of the kind in his mind. But the average man and woman in the street may be pardoned if they ask Mr. Anscomb to define the precise conditions under which he will consider the Communist threat at an end in British Columbia. Perhaps by the time that threat has vanished, however, the provincial leader of the Progressive Conservative Party will have realized to the full the social and economic advantages accruing to the people of the province through the continuance of the administration of which he is a joint leader.

FORCING A CRISIS

CURRENT INDICATIONS THAT THE Communist-dominated neighbors of Greece are preparing to grant formal recognition to the "government" which has been proclaimed in the northern mountains of that country by the guerrilla leader, Markos Vafiades, give promise of serious international repercussions. While the Communist rebels remain in that category, regardless of whether they may be receiving aid of one kind or another from neighboring states, the situation calls for no formal lining up of "sides." Britain and the United States may support the Greek government, the Russian satellites may support the guerrillas, but no country is irrevocably committed, and the matter, at least on the surface, is still a problem of internal Greek politics. With recognition of the Vafiades rebel regime as a "government," however, a major crisis would be precipitated. The conflict would be transferred from the mountains and valleys of northern Greece to the chancelleries and embassies of the various protagonists. An "act of war," demanding retaliation, would become a much more likely possibility, and a fuse of undetermined length would have been set to the Balkan powder keg.

Britain and the United States already have warned Bulgaria and Yugoslavia of the "serious implications" of their threatened action, which, apart from being construed as a definite flouting of United Nations principles, would bring East and West into a head-on diplomatic collision. Whether or not the Communist bloc feels ready to take this risk now or in the near future has not yet been made clear, but the Soviet satellites have at least given voice to their determination. The western democracies have no illusions about the complexion of the present Greek administration. It falls short of the democratic ideal in a number of particulars. But it does retain the form of democracy, and with western help may overcome the critical difficulties which now hamper the establishment of full political and economic freedom. The loss of Greece to the Communists would be a serious blow to the free world.

THE WEDGE IN PALESTINE

DURING THE SIX WEEKS WHICH have elapsed since the United Nations announced the Palestine partition decision, violence has claimed 632 lives in the Holy Land. At the present writing there is little indication that an end of the strife is in sight. What may happen when British completes withdrawal of her forces from that territory is a matter of unpleasant conjecture.

No fair-minded individual will suggest that the main bodies of either Jewish or Arab peoples are the sole causes for the disturbances which are blighting the possibility of amicable settlement of the issue posed by joint occupation of Palestine. In each case extremists must carry most of the blame. It is freely admitted that partition is not the most desirable settlement. On the other hand, it appears evident that division of the country was the only practical alternative submitted to the United Nations. The question which faces the peace-loving world today is how the arrangement can be put into force without a continuation or intensification of the active hostilities which are not only exacting a heavy toll of lives and disrupting essential productive industry, but are driving the wedge deeper between two peoples who must learn to live together if tranquility is ever to return to the Holy Land.

It is disheartening to learn of the discovery of crates of TNT and machinery for the production of ammunition on the docks of New York destined for Palestine. On the face of this disclosure the shipment has the appearance of more of the so-called "aid" which outside forces are supplying one branch of the extremists. Here seems to be some more explosive to be piled upon the fires which are already burning in Palestine, to blast the contending factions further apart.

Had the Security Council been permitted to establish its world police force, it could have dealt with the question. What appears necessary in the Holy Land is a force with no other interest than the maintenance of law and order. Lacking such an agency which could command the respect of the rival groups, the activities of the fanatics on each side continue. Reprisal is the order of the day and the eventuality of conciliation is indefinitely postponed.

Walter Lippmann

AFTER THE TRUMAN DOCTRINE

THE EVOLUTION OF United States foreign policy has reached a point where it may be said that a considered general conception can now prevail over improvisation at scattered points all over the globe. It is now possible, I believe, to discern the new pattern of American policy. It has developed as a result of responsible re-examination of the problem of European reconstruction in relation to the Marshall Plan, and of the European political situation, and of American military strategy.

The grand result of all these studies is that it is not possible, nor desirable, nor necessary to treat western Europe plus western Germany as a military bastion against the expansion of the Soviet power. It is not possible to do this because the Germans cannot be relied upon as allies.

IT IS NOT DESIRABLE to rebuild western Germany as a military arsenal because in the event of war on the Continent the Red Army could easily capture it. Finally it is not necessary to do it because the effective way to check the expansion of the Soviet power is not on land in continental Europe but by the use of sea and air power to dominate the heart of Russia itself.

From this it follows that American military policy would, on the contrary, be based on the revolutionary development of air power, which can strike from a distance at the centre and by-pass the periphery.

THIS ALTERS RADICALLY fundamental American relationship to the nations of Europe. To put it bluntly their protection against the Red Army is not in their fortifications and in their troops, and in U.S. troops, but in U.S. power to strike at the Russian homeland from bases outside the continent of Europe. Since in the event of war their role is not to be the bridgehead, the aircraft carrier, and therefore the battlefield, they can devote their energies to internal reconstruction and to European economic co-operation.

This conception, which is based on military considerations, is fortified by the conclusion of all the studies which underlie the Marshall Plan. They have shown that the restoration of trade between eastern and western Europe is necessary both to the west and to the east. Without it western Europe must undertake a revolutionary change, which could not be achieved in a generation, in the character of its trade. Without it eastern Europe must pass through a long period of economic stagnation.

THEREFORE, DESPITE all that the Communists say against the Marshall Plan, despite all that some Americans say about not trading with eastern Europe, the fact is that the nations on both sides of the Iron Curtain are eagerly and persistently reaching out towards one another. The remarks made by Mr. Ripka, the Czechoslovak Minister of Foreign Trade, reflect the realities. The Marshall Plan is a plan which will unify, which will not divide further, the continent of Europe, and if it works at all, every European country will participate in it and will benefit from it.

This general pattern of policy which has gradually emerged during the past year will not be confirmed and established until Congress has adopted the Marshall Plan and the military policy which is its corollary. But already the new conception has had important practical results.

THUS THE IDEA has been abandoned by all responsible men that western Germany should be formed as a state and that the United States should make a separate peace with it. She has avoided this far, and in all probability will succeed in avoiding, entanglement as active participants in the Chinese civil war. The United States has avoided also direct military participation in the Greek civil war. The disposition to intervene in the internal affairs of Great Britain, France, and Italy is decidedly less strong than it was in the heyday of the so-called Truman Doctrine. There has come also a better understanding and greater wisdom in American dealings with the nations in the Soviet orbit. And the United States has learned, as is indicated by her conciliatory approach to the problems of the Little Assembly, that the United Nations should not be treated as expendable in the cold war with Russia.

ALL THESE THINGS do not indicate a weakening of American policy. They are, on the contrary, evidences of an increasing strength, efficiency and lucidity. Copyright, 1948, N.Y. Herald Tribune Inc.

Quoting

To prevent armed conflict is one thing. To take advantage of the peace is another thing.

—Trygve Lie, U.N. Secretary-General.

Before we build any 40-story buildings in Manhattan we'd better settle our disagreements here. It seems to me we're trying to build nothing but another tower of Babel.

—Jose Arce, Argentine U.N. delegate.

If in the end chaos and misery and hunger result in Europe, it will not be the fault of the United States, but the fault of those who, when the door was opened, refused to walk in.

—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

'No, No, Boys! Not That'



Where Is Labor Going In U.S. Politics

By PETER EDSON from Washington

ONE OF THE big United States political riddles of 1948 is how much weight labor unions will be able to throw around in the election.

Beyond question, labor took an awful pasting in 1946. Instead of being a potent political force, labor leaders were shown up as a bunch of rank political amateurs. But now the Taft-Hartley Act has stirred up the animals. There are a half-dozen political movements within organized labor today. Whether they are just noise, or whether they have some political substance, is what the wisecracks are trying to dope out.

Oldest of the lot is Labor's Non-Partisan League, whose front man is John T. Jones. In reality the head man is John Lewis of United Mine Workers. Lewis started the league when he was head man of C.I.O. It had some influence in 1936. But, when Lewis pulled away from Roosevelt, and the C.I.O. pulled away from Lewis, the league began to decline. When Lewis switched to Willkie in 1940, he failed to deliver the votes of his miners. Today the league is pretty much of a political dead duck.

POTENTIAL FORCE

Next in line is the C.I.O.'s Political Action Committee, now headed by Jack Kroll. There is ample evidence that C.I.O.-P.A.C. learned a lesson from the beating it got in 1946. Since that time, licking its wounds, C.I.O.-P.A.C. has been working quietly but hard, out in the country, to build a real political organization from the bottom up. It has the making

of a much more potent political force in 1948.

A third political-labor movement is backed by the big, powerful, conservative, Independent International Association of Machinists. Its new Machinists' Non-Partisan Political League is holding a membership campaign and a drive to collect a million dollars. The money is to be used in educating its members on the principles of good government.

Primarily, the machinists say they are interested in replacing the present Taft-Hartley Congress which, by its every action last year—on taxes, price and rent controls, as well as labor legislation—showed favoritism and obedience to employers.

RAILWAY GROUP

Eighteen of the railroad brotherhoods have formed the Railway Labor's Political League, fourth of the movements now active. Its chairman is A. E. Lyon. The objectives are to inform their million and a quarter members on the voting records and qualifications of candidates, from the labor point of view.

Finally, there is the new A.F.L. Labor's Educational and Political League, which is asking its eight million members for "voluntary" contributions of a dollar to finance operations. Half of the money will be spent nationally, half locally.

Traditionally, ever since the days of Sam Gompers, A.F.L. has stayed out of politics. This year the federation's 105 international unions are in. Their main aim is to defeat every congressman who voted for the Taft-Hartley Act in 1947.

Thus far, there is no central direction and very little co-operation among these five political movements. Definitely, they are not seeking to form a labor party. There is no truck with the American Labor Party of New York, which is the sixth of these movements.

Outside of Washington, however, there is apparently a lot more co-operation. In city central labor councils, A.F.L., C.I.O. and independent unions are getting together for direct action.

Potentially, there are some 20,000,000 members of labor unions. That is enough balance of power to throw any national election—if it can be organized.

The Republican attitude seems to be that it cannot be organized, and that labor's political power has always been overemphasized. There is considerable G.O.P. sentiment that labor leaders can't sell their membership on the idea that the Taft-Hartley Act is anti-labor. So the whole political crusade will flop.

PRIORITY

From the Democratic politicians' point of view, if labor is to be politically effective the union leaders must get over the idea that what they want has priority over every other interest. What they must learn to look out for is the national interest.

If the union labor leaders can get over their idea of just running a big publicity campaign, and get down to working with county chairmen and precinct committeemen, then the Democratic political leaders say they can do some good.

The Headlines Have Not Changed

AS THE SECOND World War came to an end, newsmen were continually being asked, "What will you do for news now, with no more fighting to report?" The answer, of course, was that the making of the peace would provide headlines for a long time to come, to say nothing of the countless daily occurrences at home and abroad in every field of human endeavor which form the ever-present substance of the news report.

THE CONFERENCES Editors and reporters knew there would be a great deal of "copy" to come from the peace-time doings of mankind, particularly from the postwar conferences and meetings which were to fashion the brave new world. But even those whose business is the gathering and distribution of news had little idea that armed conflict would continue to provide major material for the hungry teletype machines and presses. War correspondents who had looked forward to a spell on the legislative and diplomatic beats soon found they would have to retain their field boots and battered portable typewriters.

KILLING CONTINUES "Athens—With the consent of the United States, the strength of the Greek Army is to be increased by 12,000 men. . . . Press dispatches said the guerrillas who attacked Konitsa had been driven from heights around Bouzouri Bridge, west of the city and that Greek troops were moving across the Aous River. . . .

"Karachi, India—Seventy persons were killed today when a crowd attacked and set afire a Sikh temple in which 250 Sikh men, women and children from Upper Sind were quartered for transit after evacuation. . . .

STILL CRUISING Halifax Herald "Austerity" to no apparent purpose is a melancholy affair, but "austerity" accompanied by definite progress can become a crusade and a great national effort.

The British people demonstrated to the world that they could be stout-hearted during the days of the Blitz. That same quality appears to be enabling them to win the Economic Battle of Britain.

Global Survey

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
A.P. Foreign Affairs Analyst

RELIGIOUS people of Russia celebrated Christmas yesterday—that being Dec. 25 according to the calendar of the orthodox eastern church—and throughout the vast union ruled by atheistic communism the churches were crowded with worshippers.

Now that's both interesting and vastly important, because it provides further, striking evidence that belief in God cannot be stifled.

Ever since the bolsheviks came to power in Russia they have sought to wipe out religion on the ground that it is the opiate of the masses. During the first score years after the revolution of 1917 there was heavy anti-religious propaganda sponsored by the government.

Many thousands of churches were destroyed and other thousands were converted to different uses. Sunday was secularized, systematic religious instruction of the young was prohibited and theological schools were closed. Great numbers of priests were charged with anti-Soviet conspiracy and were sent to prison or executed.

However, in 1943 it was announced that Premier Stalin had approved plans for the reestablishment of all the early rights and privileges of the Russian Orthodox Church. It isn't clear just what developments have followed, but news dispatches from Moscow do tell us that this Christmas was widely observed in religious services.

DIFFERENT POLICY

This doesn't mean that communism's efforts to kill religion have slackened, but merely that another line is being pursued. Perhaps the Reds are following a policy which was indicated by one of the leading American Communists in an address to the students of a theological seminary about the time of the Moscow announcement. The speaker said in substance:

"The Communist Party doesn't bar anyone from membership because he is religious. However, it is best that you shouldn't labor under any misapprehension. You may be sure that once you have joined the party we shall do everything in our power to take your religion from you as being detrimental to progress."

In any event, despite the efforts of Hitlerism and bolshevism to destroy religion, I don't believe the trick can be done. Belief in God strikes me as being pretty well inherent to mankind, despite the relatively few dissenters.

And unless religion can be destroyed, communism as practised by Bolshevist Russia can't succeed, because totalitarianism and religion are incompatible.



LINGERIE PSYCHOLOGY

Windsor Star
A Grand Rapids women's wear store showed commendably sound psychology in barring its doors for two hours to female customers so that mere males could do their Christmas shopping with a minimum of embarrassment.

THINK THIS OVER

Ottawa Journal
A war veteran who inherited \$10,000 returned to the Canadian treasury \$3,000 he had received in five years through veterans' allowances. Makes one wonder how many Canadians who lived on relief in the bad days of the '30s ever bothered to reimburse public funds for the help given them at the expense of the taxpayers.

SMALL TOWN STUFF

Montreal Star
For this reason, among others, Tojo will rate in history a less conspicuous place than his fellow gangster, leader of the German Nazis. Tojo is a small-town felon, fit only for a small-town stage. Shrunk to his proper proportions he emerges as a gang leader not even competent enough to shoot himself. He muffed his own suicide, just as he muffed the war plans of his people.

SOMETHING TO ITS CREDIT

Edmonton Bulletin
It is something that the peoples of the free nations have become fully aware that this global struggle is going on, and is a struggle in which every nation has a vital stake. Because the situation has been defined, as it was not defined a year ago, there is uneasiness as to the future. But it is better to be uneasy than to live in a dream world, as most people were living when 1947 began. Actually has emerged from the mists of optimistic imaginings. Turbulent 1947 at least did that much for mankind.

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Executive Officers Of City Horticultural Group



New officers of the Victoria Horticultural Society elected at the society's annual meeting Tuesday night in the City Hall are, left to right: Jack G. Beasly, re-elected secretary; Ken Robinson, vice-president; and Alex Main, president.

10,091 Babies Born In 1947 In Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vital statistician says persons, who were a trifle skeptical of an earlier announcement that Vancouver had increased in population by 75,000 to 350,000 since 1941, today had a partial explanation for the phenomenal jump in the total number of Canada's third largest city.

Civic officials announce that 10,091 babies were born in this city last year—boys in the majority by 117.

This tops Vancouver's previous record of 9,094 in 1946 and is an increase of exactly 5,000 over the 1940 baby crop.

Country-Wide Discussions On Increased Food Costs

TORONTO (CP) — Upsurges in the prices of pork and other meat products continued today to hold the Canadian spotlight, with discussion concentrated on how to meet and check price rises.

As soon as an increase of 7 cents a pound for No. 1 Wiltshire pork sides under the Anglo-Canadian food contracts was announced, retailers hiked their prices for pork as much as 20 cents a pound. In some places,

bacon prices passed the \$1-a-pound mark.

Retail prices of lamb advanced 2 to 5 cents a pound and dealers said beef products also were slated for a price increase.

The meat price boosts came on the heels of a climb in vegetable prices which followed announcement of import restrictions. The Toronto Daily Star Wednesday published a front-page picture of an Ontario-grown cabbage, until recently marketed at 7½ cents a pound, and now "in the orchid class" at \$1.

\$44.45 PER WEEK

Another Toronto paper, the Globe and Mail, said the local welfare council estimated that it now cost \$44.45 a week to keep a man, his wife, a 10-year-old daughter, a boy aged six and another boy aged 12 years. This figure compared with \$34.40 for the same family of five in 1939 and the council said the food budget provided only "bare essentials."

Unconfirmed Ottawa reports were that the Combines Investigation Commission was probing to determine whether some food handling organizations in both the wholesale and retail fields might be boosting prices unduly.

At the same time, the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada called a Toronto meeting of its national executive, food division, for Jan. 19-20 to consider that it called "a national problem of serious importance — rising food costs."

The United Electrical Workers (C.I.O.) sent Prime Minister King a telegram asking for a program of price control.

But the Ontario Cheese Producers' Association in Toronto voted 300 to 4 against a resolution calling for reimposition of price controls. One delegate said that in other years the association had asked for removal of controls.

BY-ELECTIONS DEMANDED

M. J. Coldwell, national leader of the C.C.F., demanded Wednesday that the federal government call by-elections immediately in the vacant constituencies of Yale, B.C., and Ontario County, Ont., and place the question of price controls restoration before the electors of those ridings.

From the Canadian Congress of Labor came a suggestion of a "consumers' austerity program" to check price rises. The congress urged its members to reduce to a minimum their consumption of beef, pork, fats and oils, butter, shortening, dairy products and vegetables.

In the Ontario cities of Windsor and Kitchener, increases in hospital rates were attributed to rising food costs.

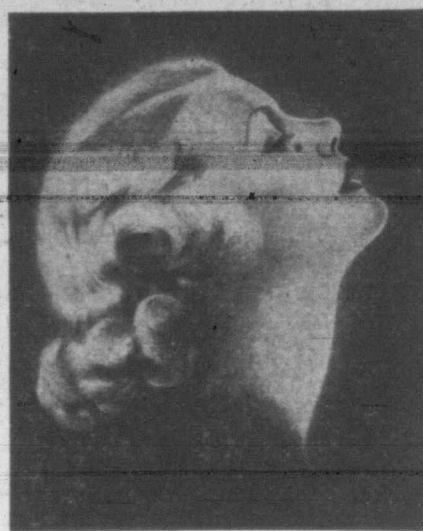
Restaurant menus told their own story of rising food prices. Vancouver, Calgary and Regina were among cities where increases of 5 to 15 cents on dishes containing pork were in effect or in the offing. A Vancouver report said customers were switching from bacon and eggs to flapjacks.

The national board of directors of the Canadian Restaurant Association called a meeting for today in London, Ont., with food costs high on the agenda.

Perhaps just in time to "save the bacon" for harassed housewives came a recipe from The Pils. Man, for a delicacy called Beaver-tail soup. It started out: "Wash three beaver tails. (Beaver is unquibled by the pound... yet.)"

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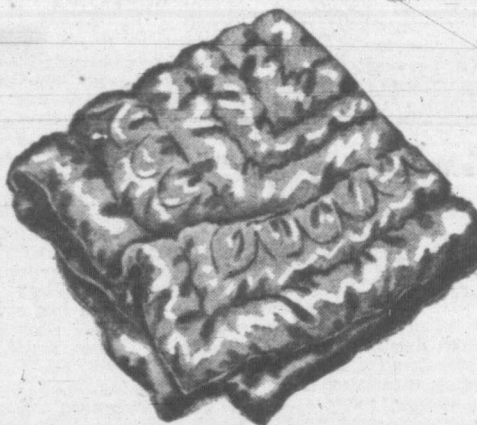
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Richard Tauber, Famed Tenor, Dies

LONDON (AP)—Richard Tauber, 56, singer, composer and conductor, died today at a London nursing home.

One of the leading lyric tenors of the German-speaking world, Tauber specialized as an interpreter of Mozart, and frequently was heard at Mozart festivals in Munich and Salzburg.

He was born at Linz, Austria, in 1892, and made his debut in 1913, scoring an immediate success. Within a few days he was given a five-year contract at the Dresden Opera House, where he sang all the leading lyrical tenor roles.

In 1915 he appeared for the first time at the Berlin Opera House, and by 1919 was known throughout the German-speaking world. From 1925 on he began appearing in lighter operettas, such as those of Franz Lehár, and it was in these roles that he made his greatest name with the general public.

Tauber also composed symphonic music and conducted orchestras on four continents. He made several motion pictures in England.

He became a British subject in 1940. His wife, the former Diana Napier, one-time film actress, was at his bedside when he died.

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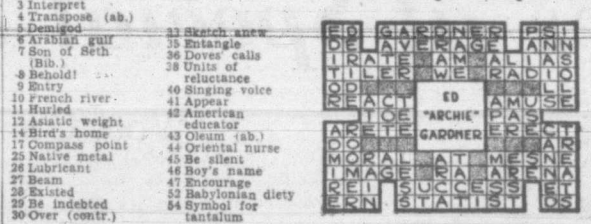
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Today's Crossword Puzzle



(Answer to previous puzzle)



U.N. Commission To Begin Dividing Holy Land Friday

LAKE SUCCESS (AP)—After a six-week interim during which violence and bloodshed have swept across Palestine, the United Nations tomorrow will begin carrying out the General Assembly decision to partition the Holy Land into Jewish and Arab nations by Oct. 1.

Secretary-General Trygve Lie will open the first meeting of the five-member Palestine partition commission set up by the Assembly in New York Nov. 29, when the plan to split Palestine was finally approved. The commission will elect officers and plunge into the task of working out methods for partitioning the Holy Land in the face of violent Arab opposition.

Lie still was working today on the text of his opening remarks. Reports were that he would warn the delegates of the difficulties and problems ahead and plead for action to overcome opposition and violence if possible.

The commission's first task will be to arrange for consultations with Britain, which, as mandatory power, controls Palestine. A British spokesman said dele-

Edmonton Strikers To Get Donation From A.F.L. Here

A donation will be forwarded to the Brewery and Soft Drink Workers on strike at the Edmonton plant of the Canada Dry Ginger Ale Company by the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council. It was decided by the council Wednesday night.

According to the council the company has refused to accept a unanimous award of an arbitration board of 10 cents per hour wage increase. The company has offered 5 cents per hour wage boost if the workers revert from a 44 to a 48-hour work week.

Present wage scales are 47 cents an hour for females and 60 cents an hour for males, the council said.

The council also gave unanimous endorsement to a motion supporting the Canadian Legion in its demands for a better deal for pensioners of the First and Second World Wars.

A request from the Ontario Federation of Fire Fighters asking support for its campaign to have overseas fire fighters brought under the benefits applying to men on active service was endorsed.

All affiliated unions were urged to make full use of the films offered by the National Film Board and the council decided to show to delegates at the next meeting a film entitled "Eye Witness."

Delegates were seated as follows: W. W. Spring, alternate for the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union.

Olaf Venos, Seafarers' International Union. A. H. Hart, Street Railway-men's Union.

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MONDAY Apple Crisp

YIELDS SIX SERVINGS
6-8 McIntosh Apples
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup butter.

Combine 1/2 cup sugar with flour and salt. Work in butter with finger tips until crumbly. Wash and peel apples, slice thinly. Place in buttered baking dish, sprinkle with 1/2 cup sugar. Add cinnamon, if desired. Spread crumbly mixture over apples and pat smooth. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) for 30 to 40 minutes, until apples are tender and crust is crisp and lightly browned. Serve warm with cream.



Apple Rings

Wash and core 3 McIntosh Apples. Cut in 1/2 inch slices. Melt 2 to 3 tablespoons shortening or dripping in a pan and add apple rings. Cook on one side until tender, then turn. Sprinkle cooked side with sugar, cover pan, and continue cooking over low heat until a nice glaze forms on top of the rings, and apples are cooked through.

TUESDAY Apple Pandowdy

YIELDS SIX SERVINGS
Place layers of thinly sliced peeled McIntosh Apples in a greased baking dish. Sprinkle each layer with sugar and cinnamon. Dot with butter. When dish is filled, cover with a baking powder biscuit dough. Make several slashes to permit escape of steam. Bake in hot oven, 30 to 40 minutes, or until crust is done and apples are tender. Serve hot or cold with a custard sauce.

Okanagan Salad

YIELDS SIX SERVINGS

6 McIntosh Apples
1/2-3/4 cup salad dressing
1/2-3/4 cup chopped walnuts.

Wash and quarter apples. Dice without peeling. Toss with salad dressing to prevent discoloration. Arrange in a salad bowl or on individual plates. Garnish with chopped walnuts.

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Salted Wafers.



THURSDAY Apple, Carrot and Raisin Salad

YIELDS SIX SERVINGS

3 McIntosh Apples
1/2 cup carrot strips
1/2 cup raisins
1/2 cup salad dressing.

Wash and cut unpeeled apples into small dice. Add carrot strips. Toss together lightly with salad dressing and raisins. Arrange in salad bowl and serve with as little delay as possible.

FRIDAY Steamed Pudding

YIELDS FIVE SERVINGS

6 McIntosh Apples
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons butter
1/2 cup milk

Wash, peel and slice apples. Add sugar. Place in buttered baking dish. Mix other ingredients as for tea biscuit. Spread over apples. Steam 25 minutes. Turn on a hot plate so that apples are on top. Serve with cream.

SATURDAY Apple Sauce

8-10 McIntosh Apples
Sugar to taste.

Wash and cut apples into quarters but do not peel. Place in saucepan and add a little water. (January apples will require more water than October apples.) Cover lightly. Stew apples until tender. Put apple sauce through a strainer and return to saucepan. Add sugar to taste and boil for 3 minutes longer. Chill and serve. Apple sauce is ideal for week-end use. If kept covered in the ice-box, it does not dry out or lose its flavor.

... and for SUNDAY serve BAKED APPLES

BAKED APPLES

Wash and core McIntosh apples. Remove a thin strip of peeling from centre of apple. Place apples in baking dish, allowing an inch between apples. Add from 1 teaspoon to 1 tablespoon of brown sugar in each cavity. Add water to cover bottom of dish. Bake in moderate oven (350° F. to 375° F.). Baked apples may be varied by filling centres with raisins, honey, corn syrup or dates.

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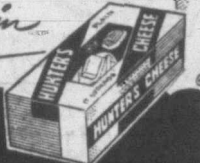
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Lee Kim, who recently returned from a visit to Hongkong.

Hundreds of Chinese who have left Victoria either to visit relatives or to settle down in their native country were anxious to return to Canada because of the high cost of living, according to Mr. Lee Kim, prominent Chinese business man who has recently returned from a visit to Hongkong.

Mr. Kim said the hard-saved earnings of repatriated Chinese were not going far in Hongkong and many had been obliged to

return to their native villages to farm in order to make ends meet.

"In prewar days the cost of living in Hongkong was lower than that of Canada," said Mr. Kim, "but today it is much higher. Take for instance, you paid about three cents in Canadian currency for coffee and toast before the war. Today you pay 45 cents."

"Wealth in the interior of China is measured by the amount of rice a person may have in his possession," he said. "Food is what counts."

JAPANESE GOODS

Japan was making a bid to recapture the Hongkong market, according to Mr. Kim. He said that he had noticed during his stay there the appearance of all sorts of Japanese goods, such as were sold in prewar days. The merchandise included little bits of everything, such as clothing, toys and textiles.

Another observation was that the Hongkong market was flooded with American manufactured goods of all sorts. The most startling thing about merchandise from the United States is that it is being sold at a lower price than in Victoria," he added.

Mr. Kim, who visited Hongkong to survey the business prospects between the crown colony and Canada, expressed the opinion that there was a great potential market for Canada in that country.

He said the United States was making a bid for the Hongkong market. "China is in need of flour and lumber," he said. "We are in a better position to supply Hongkong with these products than the United States."

Mr. Kim said that trade between Hongkong and the interior of China had slackened since last year because of the unstable Chinese currency. At the end of the war there had been a boom in foreign trade, but since then the situation had changed greatly.

Speaking of his trip to the Orient, Mr. Kim said it took him 41 hours to get to China by plane—a voyage which takes 20 days by boat. He traveled by Pan-American Airways.

On his way to Hongkong, he stopped over at Manila, where he said the cost of living was higher than in any other place he had been to.

"I've traveled quite a bit," said Mr. Kim, "and from what I've seen, Canada is still the best place to live in. I wouldn't exchange it for anything."

Campers' Reunion

One hundred and fifty young people and adults gathered at Christ Church Cathedral Memorial Hall for the first annual reunion of campers and staff who had attended Camp Columbia, on Theta Island during June, July and August last year. The camp is owned and operated by the Anglican Church of the Diocese of British Columbia.

The week-end program was arranged by a committee under the direction of Mrs. C. C. Guthrie, with Rev. Canon Michael Coleman as chairman.

The reunion opened with a short message of welcome by Dean Spencer H. Elliott, followed by a few reminiscences of camp days by various camp leaders, the singing of a few camp songs and the showing of moving pictures taken during the various camps.

Union Makes Second Try
To Send Manager To Jail

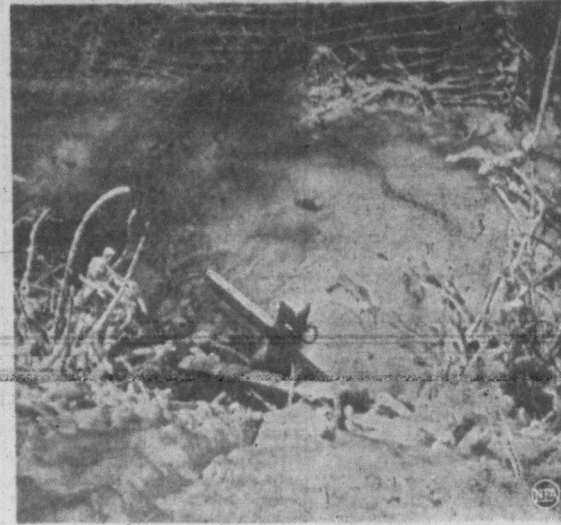
REGINA (CP)—The United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union (C.C.L.) will make a second attempt to have A. W. Chadwick, manager of a Regina department store, committed to jail for alleged failure to obey a Saskatchewan Labor Relations Board when directing him to bargain with the union, it was announced today.

The union filed notice of appeal against a decision of Mr. Justice Adrien Dorion, who dismissed their first application to have Chadwick committed.

The union claimed Chadwick refused to renegotiate a labor contract between the union and the Army and Navy Department Store after the board had certified the union and ordered the store to bargain.

EPSOM, Surrey—During alterations to a wine merchant's store here, an old advertisement board was unearthed which read: "Four quarts of dinner ale is (20 cents) delivered free." Present cost now is nearly 10¢ (\$2 and pack it home).

Cross Marks Crossing Tragedy



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Salad Aid	Durkee's, 16-oz. bottle	29c
Spaghetti	Aylmer, T.S., 16-oz. tin	2 for 25c
Chicken Hattie	Lily, 14-oz. tin	32c
Custard Powder	Savoy, 4-oz. pkg	11c
Bran Flakes	Post, 14-oz. pkg	20c
Peanut Butter	Beverly, 16-oz. jar	42c
Pastry Flour	Wild Rose, 7-lb. bag	47c
Macaroni or Spaghetti	Catell, 16-oz. pkg	15c
Holland Rusks	Christie's, 8-oz. pkg	23c

Peas	Gardenside, Standard, Ungraded, 20-oz. tin	14c
Dreft	Pkg	29c
Prunes	Size 60/70, 2-lb. cello. pkg	31c
Almonds	Diamond, Shelled, 6-oz. pkg	45c
Raisins	Thompson, Choice Seedless, 2-lb. pkg	39c
Olives	Southport, Ripe, 16-oz. tin	15c
Flour	Robin Hood, 7-lb. bag	41c
Syrup	Happy Home, 32-oz. bottle	24c
Bleach	Javex, 16-oz. bottle	16c
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Cereal	Sunny Boy, 32-oz. pkg	21c
Sardines	Silvert, 3½-oz. tin	9c
Weiners and Beans	Burns', 15-oz. tin	24c
Luncheon Meat	Tempt, 12-oz. tin	33c
Tomato Soup	Campbell's, 10-oz. tin	11c

Clams	Cloverleaf, Whole, 16-oz. tin	31c
Rolled Oats	Robin Hood, 48-oz. pkg	26c
Sodas	Red Arrow, Plain or Salted, 16-oz. pkg	27c
Light Globes	25, 50, 60-watt, frosted, each	15c
Cheese	Kraft, Plain or Pimento, ½-lb. pkg	27c
Jam	Empress, Strawberry, 48-oz. tin	97c
Apple Juice	Sun Rype, 20-oz. tins	2 for 23c
Boston Baked Beans	Aylmer, 15-oz. tin	16c
Peas and Carrots	Polka Dot, 20-oz. tin	15c
Baby Food	Aylmer, 5-oz. tins	3 for 20c
Vegetable Soup	Aylmer, 10-oz. tin	9c
Buckwheat Flour	Aunt Jemima, 20-oz. pkg	24c

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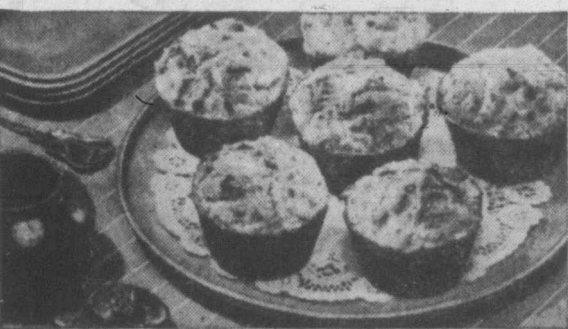
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Girl Speaker Says Farm Life Best

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Personal Notes

Mrs. Bruce Cash of Tree Tops Farm, Esquimalt, is in Vancouver visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cash. She plans to return at the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith and their two children, Jean and Harold, have been visitors in Happy Valley from Haney, B.C., the guests of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. H. A. Baxter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Ellis of Rockcliffe Park, Ottawa, who are spending the winter on the Pacific coast, are visitors in Victoria at present, staying at the Cathay Apartment Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Robertson, with their sons, Russell and Jack, returned Wednesday to their Lansdowne Road home after spending the holidays with friends in Quebec City.

Mrs. Osmund Matson was hostess at a bridge luncheon yesterday at her Rockland Avenue home in honor of Mrs. E. H. Johnson, who is leaving for Oslo, Norway. Among the 12 guests was Mrs. M. McCulloch of Montreal who is spending the winter at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Helen Jessop Hunt, former major in the Canadian Women's Army Corps during the war, and more recently with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, Ottawa, has returned to Victoria and is at present staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Manning, 1403 Fairfield Road.

Recent Victoria visitors at British Columbia House, London, England, have included Mr. and Mrs. Alastair Gillespie, Major K. C. Kennedy, Mr. T. O. Hayes and Mrs. S. Ker. Mrs. Gillespie, chosen a Rhodes scholar in 1947, went to England with his bride, an eastern Canadian girl, last autumn to commence studies. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Gillespie, Manor Road.

Mrs. W. Allen, Sooke Road, entertained Monday afternoon in honor of her daughter Joan, on the occasion of her sixth birthday. Games and recorded stories were enjoyed and refreshments served from a table centred with the traditional birthday cake, decorated with candles. Invited guests were Penny White, Terry White, Gary Calladine, Darlene Mills, Harry White, Patsy Mills, Martha Mills, Ken Charters, Dickie Hobbs, Gracie Hobbs and David Allen.

Staff members of the Daily Colonist entertained at the home of Mrs. Albert Heller, Broughton Street, Wednesday evening in honor of a former employee, Miss Peggy Sparks, whose marriage to Mr. Alan Wright will take place Saturday. Corsage bouquets were presented to the guest of honor and her mother, and on behalf of the group, Miss Audrey Rooney presented Miss Sparks with a table lamp. During the buffet supper a mock "bride's cake" containing novel favors was cut. Guests were Mrs. F. Ashley Sparks, Mrs. M. McVane, Mrs. K. Sweetnam and Misses Audrey Rooney, Anne Wilson, Isabel Cooper, Joan Ingram, M. Swarbrick and B. Russell.

Girl Sculptures Tiny Mastodons

TORONTO (CP)—Ribs and skulls of prehistoric monsters, blending in grotesque shapes and shadows cast by a lone night light along museum walls, supply creative atmosphere as 24-year-old Gloria Jeffries works on clay reproductions of giant mastodons for your Christmas mantel.

You'd think she'd be scared silly, but instead the youngest member of the Sculpture Society of Canada marvels at the "magnificent shapes as they come to life at night" to provide inspiration for models to be sold through the Royal Ontario Museum, where she is employed. The pretty brunette, who works with skeletal remains 40,000 years old, offers a giant mastodon, granddaddy of the elephant, 10 feet high and 21 feet from tusk-tip to tail joint, reduced to the size of a kitten—in clay.

"Only through reproductions and models can educationists and art lovers obtain copies of things locked in show cases," said Gloria.

Although she has cast many moulds, the most difficult cast Gloria has tackled in her eight months at the museum is the mastodon.

Teetering atop a step ladder, she took accurate measurements of the skeleton, estimated to be about 40,000 years old. Then measurements were reduced to one-fifteenth of the original size and charts were carefully drawn before the bones were carved in miniature. Muscles were moulded over the bone structure and the animal was given the life-like appearance it had when it roamed the North American continent.

Concludes Visit With Mother Here



MISS MARGARET MACKIE

Following a 10-week visit with her mother, Mrs. A. R. Mackie, 344 Cook Street, Miss Margaret Mackie leaves tomorrow to fly back across the Atlantic to her interesting work with the British Control Commission in Germany. She will spend a few days in London before going on to Frankfurt on the Main, where headquarters of the commission is now situated.

Miss Mackie started her business career in Victoria as secretary to T. D. Pattullo when he was Premier of British

Columbia. Later she went to London, England, to take a position in the office of the agent-general for B.C., in Lower Regent Street. Early in the war she returned to Canada and when the Canadian Wrens were organized was among the first to join. She was the first Wren officer to take a detachment overseas. On discharge from the navy after the war years, she went into service with the British Foreign Office. The past two-and-a-half years she has spent in Germany.

New Zealand Headmistress Dislikes Modern Education

AUCKLAND, N.Z. (CP)—Trenchant criticism of the "new education" now in vogue in New Zealand schools was expressed by Miss A. L. Loudon, for many years headmistress of the Epsom Girls' Grammar School, one of the Dominion's largest girls' schools, before her retirement.

Too much "play-way" method, too little attention to fundamentals, and a continued neglect of important mental processes were all too evident in girls entering the school from elementary schools, Miss Loudon said.

Evidences of poor standards are to be seen in hand-writing, spelling, composition, weakness of vocabulary, lack of any logical thought in arranging work, and lamentable inaccuracy in even the simplest calculations," she added. "Such is the experience of this school, are the results of the 'new education.' Apologists for the system may find compensations, but we have honestly tried to do so and failed."

Subjects giving background of language, good memory and habits of logical thought and accuracy are worth more than the superficial dabbling that has characterized much of primary education for many years and is now a favored part of post-primary education, she said.

"Methods are becoming soft. They too often invite avoidance of everything that is difficult. Projects and dramatization and 'play-way' methods still hold after a quarter of a century of

very doubtful success, a far more important place than they merit. The road to knowledge is hard, and these pleasant by-paths serve only as a very brief diversion.

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"I consider the easing of the syllabus has deprived the more capable pupils of that stimulus to intellectual endeavor that is indispensable to good standards of attainment. The elimination of all difficulty cannot fail to have a deleterious effect upon the development of character."

"The most serious aspect is that it is a question of attitude. We might cope with lack of attainment, but we experience a hopelessness in the face of indifference, lack of initiative and the serious decline in willingness to work."

Miss Loudon's attack has been strongly supported by Prof. J. Rutherford, professor of history at Auckland University. Students who came to him from the schools, he said, tended to "read carelessly and superficially, think sloppily and uncritically" and to be "woefully weak" in literary composition.

"Because of this," he said, "we find it necessary in what purports to be a university class in history to arrange for instruction in such elementary things as how to read a text-book, how to select and arrange important facts, how to write a sentence, a paragraph, a précis and an essay."

He was convinced, with Miss Loudon, that less "play" and more sheer hard work and rigid intellectual discipline in the fundamental subjects would correct the present deficiencies.

New Glamor Deb



The title of "Glamor Deb of the Year," vacant since the deb days of Brenda Frazier, goes to Virginia Leigh, above, of New York. She made her bow to society at the annual Debutante Cotillion.

P.T.A. News

Victoria West—Regular meeting of Victoria West P.T.A. will be held in the school auditorium Monday at 8.

Craigflower — Members of Craigflower P.T.A. will vote for the type of sound-projector to be purchased for the school at the next meeting, to be held Monday, at 8, in the school.

Happy Valley—Announcement was made at the regular meeting of Happy Valley P.T.A. that the association had enrolled in the National Film Council, and D. Lincoln and F. J. Willwat were named to take a projection course to enable them to show films for the school and at association meetings. Mesdames K. Mills, A. Mills and J. Blenkinsop were named to serve luncheon to the teachers the days of their meeting, and arrangements were made to hold a cribbage game at the school on Jan. 16. It was announced that Belmont High Parents' Council will meet on Jan. 19 to make plans for the grand opening of the school in April. Following business, D. Lincoln showed several films and refreshments were served.

Toastmistress Club

Members of the Toastmistress Club held their first meeting of the year Tuesday, at 6, in the Y.M.C.A., with the president, Miss Iris Vallance, in the chair. Guest speaker for the evening was L. Westendale of the Y.M.C.A. Speakers' Club, whose subject was "The Unknown Quality Must Remain the Unknown Quantity."

The table topic, "What Gave You Most Pleasure This Christmas," was led by Mrs. Downey, and those taking part in the program were: Miss Peggy Wharton, five-minute talk, "Helmcken House"; Mrs. Marjorie Naysmith, two-minute impromptu, "My New Year's Eve"; Miss Anne Adamson, ten-minute talk, "The Silver Sleuth"; Miss Joyce Dixon, five-minute speech, "The New Look." Miss Iris Vallance acted as toastmistress and Miss Carla Ellis was general critic.

The vote of thanks was given by Miss Vera Carter, retiring secretary, who is succeeded by Miss Carla Ellis.

Next meeting will be held Jan. 20.

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Leap Year Styles Feminine, Demure

NEW YORK (AP)—Leap year styles will be feminine, flirtatious and deceptively demure, it is indicated in the spring-fashion picture now taking shape. New York designers unveil next week the 1948 silhouette for the benefit of the press.

Biggest news will be the "shirtwaist girl," a sleeker and more beguiling edition of her famous ancestor, the Gibson girl, with cinched-in waistline, swirling skirt over taffeta petticoat, a tailored look that has no hint of the masculine, and a new modesty as to neckline and skirt length.

Designers for the most part have compromised with the hard-fought "new look." The hemline does not yet require dust ruffles and is stabilized at 12 inches from the floor, two inches longer than the average fall styles. In more practical terms, this means that the skirt should just cover the calf of the leg, instead of ending at mid-calf, the approved street-length last season.

Style also has adopted sound-effects, as petticoat fever sweeps the country, and the rustle of taffeta is the accepted accompaniment to dress-up fashions. Women have won one important point in their fight against completely French styles—practically all designers have retained shoulder pads in their spring collections. These are modified or rounded, but still are present to balance the feminine figure.

Few hip pads are evident in daytime styles for spring. The rounded hipline is achieved in other, more subtle ways, by skillful cut, seldom by the bunchy drapery evident in the first experiments with the "new look."

Emphasis On Spring



Two frocks that can be worn with accessories under fur coats now and later alone, are these modeled by NBC's Anita Gordon vocalist on the Charlie McCarthy show. The first is a classic in a washable light wool and rayon fabric. The striped wool dress left, has triangle flap pockets to accentuate the hip line look, and novel belt to minimize the waist.

Dorothy Dix

GETTING OLD CAN BE ACHIEVED BY DEVELOPING AGREEABLE TECHNIQUE

In as much as the only way we can escape growing old is to die young, which is an alternative few would choose, is it not a pity that more people do not attempt to acquire a technique of aging that will make them as attractive at 80 as they were at 18?

Unfortunately, this idea of glamorizing age makes no appeal to the elderly. They don't feel that there is any compunction on them to make themselves agreeable. On the contrary, they think that being old gives them the right to be as cantankerous as they please, to say what they think, to be tyrannical and selfish, and to generally ride roughshod over all the amenities of polite society.

The result of this is to isolate the old, for to be wanted we have to be desirable, and few are altruistic enough to seek as companions those who do nothing but monologue about their symptoms, or complain of how they are neglected. So it is only too true that most old people are very lonely.

But this need not be, and it would not be if they would only realize that they must make an even greater effort to be popular when they are old than they did when they were young. Really, as a matter of fact, old people can do business on half the capital that the young can, for not so much is expected of them. Grandmother can get more acclaim out of one up-to-date dress than granddaughter can out of a dozen imported frocks. And if grandfather will only converse about current events, instead of reminiscing about 60 years ago, he is regarded as an oracle.

PREPARE FOR OLD AGE

The question, then, is how shall we prepare ourselves for age, seeing it is getting nearer and nearer every day? The first thing is to try to lay up something for a rainy day so that when age comes we will not be dependent upon our children. If necessary, do without the car we crave so that we may not in our old age find how steep are an in-law's steps, and how cold the welcome for old parents who are a burden on those who have already a load that crushes them.

Then begin laying up friendships, which are just as necessary as money for old age. After all, we have small interest in strangers. The people we enjoy talking to are those who know

the things and people we know and whom we can say "don't you remember." Don't think we can live to ourselves and have people flock about us when we are old. It is just one of the things that can't be done.

ENTERTAIN

Entertain as much as our purses allow. Never forget that when we are old we have to throw in a chromo with ourselves to draw people about us. We have lost the charm of youth. We are no longer beautiful nor gay. And perhaps we don't add very much to the hilarity of the occasion, but we will never be left off of the invitation list as long as we set a good table.

And most important of all, if we want to be one of the old people who is persona grata with their family, their friends and their acquaintances, we must be interesting to listen to and pleasant to get along with. We must refrain from telling long-winded stories that bore the listeners to tears. We must bite our tongues off rather than give advice. We must not criticize everything the young do. We must give to all with whom we come in contact, love and sympathy and understanding. And so shall we make our old age beautiful.

Girl Guide Notes

Esquimalt—The Esquimalt Guide Company will resume meetings Friday at 6.30.

Baby Born Prematurely Gaining Ounce A Day



Born prematurely, Dec. 5, at the small cottage maternity hospital at Sexsmith, Alta., tiny Gilda Mae East weighed only one pound, 14 ounces. On New Year's Day, when her first picture was taken, she weighed two pounds, six ounces and had just chucked up a two-ounce gain in two days. The baby girl, held by Nurse Johanna Haakstad, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold East, Dawson Creek, B.C.

Clubwomen's News

Anniversary Plans—At a meeting of the committee of the Aged and Infirm Women's Home held Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. A. D. Whittier, president, in the chair, plans were discussed for commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the home in the spring. It was reported that during the Christmas season the home was decorated by members of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, and that each resident received a gift from them. Residents were entertained with carol singing on different occasions by the choir of the blind, Brownies of the First Victoria Pack, C.G.I.T. Girls, H-Y Girls and the Pentecostal Choir. Mrs. I. G. Alexander was welcomed back after a long absence from the city. Committee members for the month are Mrs. M. Darling, convener, Mrs. F. G. Ellis and Mrs. J. Tully.

Officers Named—Mrs. H. A. Hinecks was unanimously re-elected president of the St. Matthew's Guild, Langford, in annual meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. B. F. Bullen. Other officers are Mesdames H. J. Jones, L. Powers and R. J. Smith, honorary presidents; Mrs. D. B. F. Bullen, vice-president; Mrs. P. N. Welch, secretary; Mrs. A. F. Bayles, treasurer; Mrs. L. Horner, reader; Mrs. R. Fraser and Mrs. Bullen, pianists; Mrs. G. McGregor and Mrs. K. Element, Dorcas secretaries; Mrs. Horner, Little Helpers, and Mrs. Bullen, auditor. Reports of the past year's work were given by Mesdames P. N. Welch and A. F. Bayles. Rev. H. J. Jones presided at the election and following the business session, refreshments were served by the hostess.

Gonzales, I.O.D.E.—The regent, Mrs. W. C. Nichol, presided at the regular meeting of Gonzales Chapter, I.O.D.E., held Tuesday at the Memorial Hall. It was reported that a visit was made to one of the chapter's adopted schools, at Happy Valley, and

greetings taken to teachers and pupils from the chapter; a framed picture of His Majesty the King, presented by the honorary regent, Mrs. Curtis Sampson, and a book on Esquimalt written by Leigh Burpee Robinson and a tennis racquet given. Ten calendars have been presented to Monterey School. Report of the postwar services convener showed large quantities of clothing sent to the bombed areas of Britain and used clothing for poor relief, also food parcels to the value of \$30.76. Mrs. Curtis Sampson was named as national councillor and officers for 1948 were nominated.

Club Calendar

Young Progressive Conservative Association, bimonthly meeting, tonight at 8, at the home of Miss Barbara Muckleberry, Lansdowne Road.

Transport Workers Help
LONDON (CP)—Transport workers collected £820 (\$3,280) for cheerful Ada Clark, 21, a former streetcar conductress who lost both her legs in an accident two years ago.

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10.45—Melody Lane

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'Wild Harvest' Action Thriller

"Wild Harvest," Paramount's action thriller, arrives today at the Atlas Theatre with Alan Ladd, Dorothy Lamour, Robert Preston and Lloyd Nolan starred. Ladd, Preston and Nolan will be seen as rugged members of a harvesting combine crew whose work on the wheat fields requires them to be as quick with their fists as they are with their machines. Miss Lamour portrays the niece of a farmer, a girl who doesn't belong on a farm and who uses every means, however, unscrupulous, to get away from it.

The romantic complications added to the thrills of wheat field fires, "Wild Harvest" will have harvesting crews and other typical Alan Ladd activities, combine to make "Wild Harvest" an excellent movie bet.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Versatile Bing Crosby was already fluent in Spanish, French and Italian, and could warble in about a dozen other languages, but he had to take an intensive course in Portuguese for his role in Paramount's "Road to Rio." The film is the latest Crosby-Bop Hope-Dorothy Lamour "road" show and it ends tonight at Capitol Theatre. With more than half the action in "Road to Rio" taking place in the Brazilian capital city, Bing was required to speak Portuguese frequently.

PLAZA THEATRE

The scenes in "Black Narcissus," now showing at the Plaza Theatre, were made with great care. The pathway up the side of the mountain were made narrow and winding to give a true impression of height and when completed they were found to be strong enough to allow the passage of horse-traffic.

Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised.)
ATLAS—Alan Ladd in "Wild Harvest."

CAPITOL—"Road to Rio," starring Bing Crosby and Bob Hope.

DOMINION—Walt Disney's "Fantasia," with Leopold Stokowski.

OAK BAY—Walt Disney's "Song of the South."

PLAZA—"Black Narcissus," starring Deborah Kerr.

RIO—"Passage to Marseille," starring Humphrey Bogart.

ROYAL—Irene Dunne and William Powell in "Life With Father."

YORK—"The Time, The Place and The Girl," starring Dennis Morgan and Janis Paige.



SUGGESTS NEW CANAL THROUGH MEXICO—Senator Dennis Chavez (D-N.M.), has proposed that the United States consider building a new canal between Salina Cruz and Puerto Mexico, in Mexico. Chavez said his proposal would bring the Pacific 2,000 miles closer to New York, and would serve as a security measure for the United States. Map above shows present Panama Canal, and proposed canal through Mexico.

DOMINION THEATRE

Featuring the universal language of music, Walt Disney's magnificent "Fantasia," in color by technicolor, pictures the favorite masterpieces of eight great composers at the Dominion Theatre.

The production visualizes each composition, translating it into substance and animating it through performing Disney characters, for examples by a ballet of ostriches, dainty, leggy and hilariously representative of typical human dancers, in "Dance of the Hours," by Ponchielli. The "Sugar Plum Fairy," from Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite," takes on form and beauty as animated flowers join with her in a delicate adagio.

Romantic Musical In Technicolor

"The Time, the Place and the Girl," a technicolor musical film from Warner Bros., starring Dennis Morgan, Jack Carson, Janis Paige and Martha Vickers, is the new picture which opens today at the York Theatre. Others featured in the large cast include S. Z. Sakall, Alan Hale, Angela Greene and Donald Woods, and Carman Cavallaro and his orchestra.

Most Hindus carry their own water supply with them because their religious law does not permit them to drink water drawn or looked at by a man of a different caste.

Economy Moves Seen In Movie Production Plans

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Here are some of the things a reporter sees and hears while covering the movie sets:

Moves toward economy can be noticed all over town as the movie industry faces the rugged future of the new year. At Republic, Director Frank Borzage is demonstrating how an "A" picture can be made in 30 days. By working with a fast and eager crew and planning each shot beforehand, he is making "Moonrise" in half the ordinary time.

Another example of "how to save" was seen on the "Carmen" set. With one day left to shoot on location in the Sierras, a winter storm swept down. Rather than wait out the storm and the snow-melting, the company returned to Hollywood. Rock for rock, tree for tree, the location site was recreated on a stage, still photographs being used as a guide.

ROLE IN CAR CUSHION

At Warner Brothers a bunch of tough guys are acting in "Key Largo," but a scene which will match the film's toughness was played during my visit.

It happened when Edward G. Robinson discovered that Humphrey Bogart had burned a hole in the upholstery of "Little Caesar's" spanking new sedan. "All right, you mug, I'm going to get tough—see?" muttered Robinson. "Yeah?" snarled Bogart. This repartee continued for 10 minutes and I'm still not sure whether they were kidding.

Asked "what picture are you doing next?" Director Billy Wilder considered seriously, then answered: "It's a honey. Big production. I'm using the San Francisco telephone book for a script. Should have a large cast."

Gwenn As Cleric In 'Father' Role

Edmund Gwenn, who plays the role of the Rev. Dr. Lloyd in Clarence Day's "Life With Father" which comes to the Royal Theatre today under Warner Bros. banner, believes, as Shakespeare did, that the play's the thing. Story first is what he looks for in a stage vehicle and one good part for himself is the last. If there is a good yarn with a well developed cast of characters and a good solid believable part for himself, then he is ready to go.

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NEW DEFENCE COLLEGE OPENS AT KINGSTON—Hon. Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence, opened Canada's new Defence College at Kingston, Ont., this week declaring that its establishment showed serious acceptance by Canada of its defence responsibilities. The first class composed of 17 senior civil servants and officers of the armed services, is the first of its kind ever to be assembled in Canada. The above photo shows left to right, Lt.-Gen. C. Foulkes, formerly of Victoria, Chief of Staff, Mr. Claxton, and Maj.-Gen. J. F. M. Whiteley, commandant of the college.

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Sullivan Says Force Only Way To Halt Wave Of Douk Terrorism

NELSON (CP)—Government authorized force today was held the only way to halt a wave of arson and pillaging which has swept the West Kootenay Valley during the last seven months.

Wednesday Judge H. J. Sullivan of New Westminster, special commissioner appointed by the British Columbia government to investigate Doukhor disturbances, announced until order was restored his hearings would be adjourned.

He called for "emergency legislation to ensure... force necessary for the purpose of restoring law and order" and said he would recommend to the Attorney-General that necessary steps be taken.

"While the country is being blown up and burned up" he could not attempt to solve differences between the Doukhor sects.

Earlier Wednesday he had warned that unless "given good cause to continue this inquiry I will turn the matter over to officers of the Crown."

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Canada's Foreign Trade Sets Record

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's foreign trade reached a record total of \$4,520,700,000 during the first 11 months of 1947, compared with \$3,870,200,000 in the corresponding period of 1946, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Wednesday.

Total trade in November was \$485,100,000 against \$433,300,000 a year ago and, with December figures still to come, the 11-month total was 15 per cent above the aggregate amount of \$4,266,400,000 for the whole of 1946.

Value of commodities exported during the 11 months ended Nov. 30 was \$2,508,700,000, compared with \$2,100,300,000 in the similar period of 1946, an advance of 19.4 per cent. Total for the 11 months was 8.5 per cent above the aggregate for 1946, which amounted to \$2,312,200,000. Export trade in November was valued at \$253,100,000 against \$232,200,000 in November, 1946, and \$250,800,000 in October.

Commodities were imported to the value of \$2,379,800,000 during the first 11 months of 1947, compared with \$1,745,400,000 in the same period of 1946, an increase of 36.3 per cent. The 11-month total was 23.4 per cent higher than for the full year 1946 which stood at \$1,927,300,000.

Although impact of Canada's import restrictions to save dollars won't be reflected until December figures become available, the bureau said that in November there was a lessening of the upward trend of earlier months. Imports were valued at \$229,100,000, compared with \$198,200,000 in November, 1946, and \$254,500,000 in October.

Sue For Millions

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Three high-salaried film personalities filed suit Wednesday for a total of \$3,165,925 against movie studios which dismissed two of them and suspended the third for refusal to answer questions before the House Committee on un-American Activities, sitting in Washington.

The three are writers Ring Lardner Jr. and Lester Cole, and producer-director Edward Dmytryk. Lardner and Dmytryk, who was born in Grand Forks, B.C., seek damages of \$1,382,500 and \$1,783,425, respectively, while Cole merely asks a court order of declaratory relief and return to the payroll.

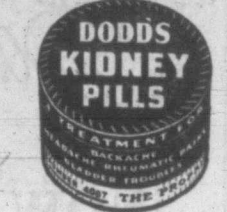
The three men and seven other Hollywood writers and film executives were cited for contempt of Congress for refusing to state whether or not they are or had been members of the Communist Party. They testified before the Thomas Committee, which is still inquiring into communistic influences in Hollywood.

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Film Council News

January meeting of the Greater Victoria Film Council will be held Jan. 15, instead of Jan. 8. The meeting will take place in the National Film Board office, 1255 Langley Street, and will commence at 8.

The Victoria Public Library announces receipt of a new film entitled "Myra Hess," in which the artist plays the first movement of Beethoven's Sonata in F Minor. Film World states of this film: "Excellent close-ups show her technique to such an extent that the film has the added appeal of not only bringing to the screen great music and a flawless technical display for the lover of the classics but it should prove a welcome contribution to the school's music library for instructional and musical appreciation classes."

"Holiday at School," which was "film of the month" for December, is being held over, and will be featured "film of the month" for January as well. It depicts a visit to the summer school held each year in Banff National Park under the sponsorship of the University of Alberta Extension Department.

Uncle Ray

MARCO POLO SAID WISE MEN WERE BURIED IN PERSIA

When Christmas comes there are many subjects which people think about, and among these are "the Three Wise Men of the East." Often these men are characters in Christmas plays.

In Poland it is an old custom for boys to dress as the Three Wise Men. The leader of the group carries a large star, and behind him come the others, bearing a manger.

In Hungary a similar custom has been followed year by year in the little town of Mezokovezd, but girls, instead of boys, dress as the Three Wise Men. The girls are between the ages of six and 14 and their Bethlehem play is widely known.

The Three Wise Men are given most honor, however, in Spain, Portugal and the countries of Latin America. People in those lands speak of them as the "Three Kings." Their feast is celebrated on the sixth of January (and the evening before). Christmas presents are made more often at that time than on Christmas Day.

The old Spanish custom is for the Three Kings to ride past gatherings of children. Instead of hearing about Santa Claus, the children are told that their gifts are left by the Three Kings.

The gospel of Matthew is the only place in the Bible where we find mention of the Wise Men. No statement about their number is given by Matthew, and neither is anything said about their names, or the country where they lived.

Stories have grown up, however, telling us that there were three of them, named Balthasar, Gaspar and Melchior, and that they came from Persia. It has been suggested in modern times that the star which they followed was Halley's Comet.

In his book of travels, written almost 650 years ago, Marco Polo says that he visited the city of Saba in Persia, where the Three Wise Men had been buried. (For general interest section of your scrapbook.)

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Flooded Areas Raise Hopes Of Skaters

Irrespective of the fact that the weatherman says he has only been pouring rain on Victoria in mere "dribbles" in comparison to some of the other same periods in the past, right now the most cherished desire of Victoria's younger generation is to have a real freeze-up.

A trip out Saanich-way these days reveals plenty of evidence why the young — and not so young — skaters would like their wish fulfilled for the low-lying areas of the peninsula are well flooded as a result of the rain of the last two or three weeks.

Used Axe To Open 26 Club Lockers

Juveniles are believed by police to be responsible for the entry of Victoria West Lawn Bowling Club at the west side of the district's park. Discovery of the entry was made yesterday. Entry was made by breaking a window in a door to enable releasing of the catch. Inside the culprits used an axe to break open 26 lockers. Nothing is reported missing.

The DOCTOR

Says:

ULTRA VIOLET RADIATION LESS IN WINTER

Light rays of greatest benefit, from a health standpoint, are the ultra violet rays, which make up about 7 per cent of the sun's waves. The number which reach the earth varies with the season and the condition of the atmosphere. Most come through when

the sky is clear and the sun is directly overhead.

In the wintertime, smoke, dust and fog block ultra violet light, as it lacks penetrating power. Glass, too, filters them out. When we sit indoors near a window on a bright day and soak up sun, it is only the infra-red rays which come through. Ultra violet radiation is reduced in cold weather to one-tenth the amount which reaches the same spot in the summer.

Ultra violet light helps the body utilize the calcium and phosphorus in the food, but the same effects can be obtained by taking vitamin D. The rays also stimulate some of the body functions.

Rickets is the only disease which is prevented or cured by

sunlight. It is most apt to develop during periods of rapid growth, especially in young children. Fall and winter babies, in northern climates, need extra vitamin D to make up for sunlight deficiency.

Sunlight and vitamin D are not of value in preventing colds, winter or summer, and the employment of sun lamps or vitamins for this purpose is useless. Acne — common pimples — and psoriasis usually become worse in the wintertime, probably from lack of sunshine, and require special treatments.

LAMPS AND RELAXATION

Body exposure to sun lamps helps to promote relaxation. Tense individuals, unable to re-

lax otherwise, can take a sun bath and doze for a time.

Health-conscious adults can maintain vigor and vitality through the winter months by moderation in eating and by daily exercise. Children require special wintertime care to maintain health, such as irradiated foods and vitamin D.

QUESTION: What is the disease which is just the opposite of diabetes?

ANSWER: Hypoglycemia. One cause is too much insulin in the blood. Mild forms of hypoglycemia can be corrected by diet.

As the hands collect dirt and bacteria quickly, it is wise to wash them frequently.

\$75,000 Fire Guts Calgary Plant

CALGARY (CP)—A two-alarm fire almost totally destroyed the Chesterfield and Furniture Manufacturing Co. Ltd. plant on 10th Avenue in East Calgary early today.

The two-story brick structure, with contents, was valued at about \$75,000 by plant manager Robert H. Weir. It was completely gutted except for a small office section. The company manufactures chesterfields and mattresses.

Cause of the fire was not immediately known.



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PEAS, FRANKFORD, per 20-oz. tin.....	12¢	SAUERKRAUT, LIBBY'S, 28-oz. tins, 2 for.....	35¢
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YELLOW or GREEN SPLIT PEAS, AVION, cello. pkts., 2 for.....	35¢	PIE CRUST MIX, G.T., per pkt.....	20¢
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Make Plans For Golden Gloves Boxing



Members of the Greater Victoria Boxing Association are busy these days completing arrangements for staging the first annual Vancouver Island Golden Gloves championships at the Armories, Jan. 30 and 31. Entries to be made to Cmdr. R. P. Kingscote (ret.), 1149 Munro Street, will close Jan. 28. Members of the committee in charge seen are: from left to right, Jimmy Young, Carl Bellagente, Chuck Nickason, John Smith, secretary, Louis Cahon, chairman, Cmdr. Kingscote, Allan McLeod, Reg Easton and Ed Duffin.

Hornets Lose, Drop Into Third Position

Bellingham's Fircrests changed places with the Vancouver Hornets in the Pacific Coast professional basketball circuit today, after the erstwhile runner-up Canadian quintette dropped a 60 to 44 decision to Seattle and Bellingham squeezed past Tacoma by a 51 to 48 margin in last night's encounters.

Astoria hung a 49 to 45 defeat on the Portland Indians in the night's other clash.

It was nip-and-tuck everywhere but in Seattle where the Athletics took a 24 to 14 half-time margin and coasted to victory on Bernie Price's 24 tallies. The win increased the Seattle lead to two full games.

Tacoma led Bellingham 13 to 3 at the end of the first quarter but fell behind by 28 to 24 at half-time. With the victors' Gale Bishop swishing three quick buckets at the start of the period, Bellingham ran its lead to 36 to 24 and Tacoma never caught up. Bishop picked up 20 points for his night's labor, three more than Tacoma's Johnny Katka.

Portland, trying futilely to avoid its 12th consecutive loss,

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K.V.'s To Battle Seattle Cage Club

K.V.'s, at present tied for the leadership of the senior A loop, will meet Seattle Elks Club in the international hoop attraction at the High School Saturday night. Hank Casillo, secretary of the local league, announced today.

Duncan Intermediate B boys will play Spencers in the preliminary at 7:30. Feature game will start at 8.

Baker, Peden On All-Star Team To Oppose Trotters

VANCOUVER (CP)—Three members of Vancouver Hornets of the Pacific Coast Professional Basketball League have been named to an all-star squad which will play basketball's famed touring Harlem Globe Trotters in Seattle Sunday, it was learned here today.

Norm Baker, Doug Peden and Bill Osterhaus of the Hornets will join Boody Gilbertson, Hall Kottman, Wally Leask and Ken Sussens of Seattle Athletics to form an all-star crew which will play the Trotters at Seattle's new armory.

Chuck Jones, Globe Trotter representative here, said the Trotters would not play here because he was dissatisfied with the Hornets showing against them last year.

"I don't know what's wrong with those guys" (Hornets), said Jones, one-time Trotter coach. "But even when they were operating as Victoria Dominos, these Hornets wouldn't believe they were beaten. As soon as Trotters get ahead, the dirty work started."

Horse Racing

SANTA ANITA—Results of horse racing here Wednesday follow:

Pink Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Blue Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
See Me First	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Second Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Third Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Fourth Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Fifth Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Sixth Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Seventh Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Eighth Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Ninth Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
Scratched: Blue Baby.			
Tenth Race—	10.30	10.30	10.30
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SOCCER MEETING
Commission members and Victoria and District Football Association team delegates will meet tomorrow evening at the British Public Schools Club, Langley Street, at 8.

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Joe Krol Named Canada's No. 1 Athlete

Canadian Football Ace Takes Award Second Time; Richard Runner-up

TORONTO (CP)—The career of Joe Krol, football's most dazzling opportunist, reached a fresh climax today with his selection by Canadian sports editors as Canada's outstanding athlete for the second successive year. He becomes the first double winner of the poll the Canadian Press inaugurated in 1932.

Krol, who hit the headlines only occasionally during the Big Four Football Union's scheduled season, provided the victory payoff punch that carried Toronto

Argonauts through the post-schedule playoffs to their third consecutive Dominion championship.

Sports editors picked him as the athlete of the year over Maurice Richard, modern pro hockey's most prolific goal scorer, and footballer Bob Sandberg of Winnipeg Blue Bombers whose individual prowess overshadowed Krol's in the east-west football championship classic.

Krol received 39 of a possible 75 points in the poll in which 25

sports editors participated. Richard got 25 and Sandberg 19. Voters named first, second and third choices and points were figured on a 3-2-1 basis. Krol's selection was less emphatic than a year ago, when he received 59 of a possible 75 points.

Football stars have won it five times—Krol twice, Hugh (Bum) Stirling, Fritz Hanson and Tony Golab. Marathon runners came out in front four times—Dave Komonen, Harold Webster, Scotty Rankine and Gerard Cote. Collier Henry (Sandy) Somer-

ville, hockeyist Syl Apps and track star Phil Edwards were the other winners.

HIGH SCORER

Krol tallied 41 points in his 11 Big Four games during the scheduled season with the Argos, second highest scorer in the union. He rose to his greatest heights in the playoffs and climaxed it all by shooting the game-winning point on the last play of the game in the east-west final.

Richard, great right wing of

Montreal Canadiens, scored 45 goals last season to bring his total in five years of National Hockey League play to 159 in 212 games.

Sandberg, native of Rice Lake, Wis., and former University of Minnesota footballer, became an outstanding star in his first season in Canadian football. He won the most valuable player award in the Western Interprovincial Union and capped that with a dazzling show in the east-west game.

Detroit On Top; Meets Up With Canadiens

Grim news today for the hockey faithful of Montreal, long-time supporters of a powerful Habitués team. Their Montreal Canadiens, sunk to fifth place in the National Hockey League, will be invaded by the Detroit Red Wings, new leaders of the loop and holders of a five-straight winning record.

The Wings, after long dueling with Toronto Maple Leafs for the league leadership, finally reached the top last night when they whitewashed New York Rangers 6 to 0 at Detroit. That victory sent Wings into a one-point lead over the Leafs. A Detroit win tonight would put the Wings three points in front.

But a Montreal win would put Canadiens in a tie with the baffling Boston Bruins for fourth place.

BOSTON BEATEN AGAIN

Baffling is the only adjective left to describe the Bostonians, beaten by amateur teams twice in successive nights. After losing 9 to 2 to Ottawa Senators at Ottawa Tuesday, the Bruins last night took on a reinforced Toronto Marlboros squad in an exhibition at Kingston for benefit of the hockey hall of fame. The result: Marlboros 4, Boston 2.

Only change made in the Boston line-up for the exhibition was the substitution of veteran Mike Karakas in goal in place of Frankie Brimsek.

In the N.H.L. game at Detroit First period—1, Detroit, Quack (Howe, Abel), 1.55. Penalties: Reise, Colville, Horeck. Second period—2, Detroit, D. Morrison (R. Morrison, Conacher), 8:27. 3, Detroit, D. Morrison (Conacher), 10:12. 4, Detroit, Horeck (Abel, Lindsay), 19:42. Penalties: Howe, Guidolin, Gardner, Leswick.

Third period—3, Detroit, Pavlich (McPadden, Stewart), 4:09; 6, Detroit, McPadden (Guidolin, Horeck), 10:51. Penalty: War-

Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

SHOULD THE Pacific Coast Hockey League, at its meeting in San Francisco this month, decide to shed its amateur cloak, the two Canadian members of the circuit, Vancouver and New Westminster, are going to experience a rude jolt in the old pocket-book.

At the present time the Canucks and Royals, playing so-called amateur hockey, are called on to pay a 5 per cent tax to the provincial government. But once they step out and are recognized officially as professional clubs the federal government enters into the tax picture and the combined levy jumps to approximately 21 per cent. Quite a difference and a mighty important factor in any decision to jump from amateur to pro.

COAST LEAGUE teams are reported suffering from a lack of first-class playing material, a situation they figure will be alleviated if they join the professional ranks and were associated with either the National or American Hockey League, the two top-ranking professional circuits.

The decision of the Coast League to turn professional would actually be a mere formality. As everyone knows the players in the league now are drawing down nice fat salaries. They remain amateurs through the peculiar amateur code as laid down by the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association which states a hockey player is an amateur until such time as he signs a professional contract.

FOR HIS RECENT outbreak during a Coast League basketball game at Tacoma Norma Baker has been plastered with a \$50 fine. He was lucky the penalty was not stiffer. The league's leading scorer might easily have drawn a suspension as his actions in striking one of the Tacoma players and then chasing one of the youthful ushers is poor business. From all reports the Victoria sharpshooter was subjected to quite a going over by the home fans but that did not call for him to literally go berserk. Baker is hot-tempered but must learn to keep his feelings under better control.

ENTIRE VANCOUVER cage club is under criticism from the five United States entries. It seems the Americans want to play the games under collegiate style with all bodily contact illegal. Vancouver coach Art Chapman insists on a "pro" style with the referees passing up minor fouls and calling only those which interfere with a scoring play. Neither style has been officially approved by the league bosses with the result nearly every game results in protests and counter protests over the calls of the referees. It is about time some definite set of playing rules was laid down then the members of all six teams would know what to expect.

McFadden Moves Up In Hockey Scoring

Jimmy McFadden of Detroit earned a goal and an assist last night to move into a tie with Syl Apps of Toronto for the runner-up position in the National Hockey League race, two points behind pace-setter Buddy O'Connor of New York.

Ted Lindsay garnered an assist to take over sole possession of fourth place with 30 points.

	G	A	Pts.
O'Connor, New York	15	19	34
McFadden, Detroit	15	17	32
Apps, Toronto	13	19	32
M. Bentley, Toronto	16	15	31
Lindsay, Detroit	17	13	30
Leah, Montreal	12	14	27
D. Bentley, Chicago	12	15	27

Hockey Standings

	W	L	T	P	Pts.
Detroit	18	8	5	108	74
Toronto	14	7	8	97	40
Rangers	13	14	5	98	113
Boston	11	13	7	89	87
Canadiens	11	14	5	71	77
Chicago	8	21	2	97	123

THRISTLES PRACTICE
Saatchi Thristles intermediate football team will practice at Athletic-Park tonight at 8.

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ARROWS BEATEN
PRINCE RUPERT (CP)—Prince Rupert All Stars Wednesday night defeated Vancouver Arrows 67-66 in the first of a two-game exhibition basketball series here.

Busher Jackson Paces Y.M.C.A. To Cage Win

Busher Jackson, veteran performer of the Y.M.C.A. cage club, last night turned in the outstanding individual performance of the season by racking up 25 points in his club's 52 to 37 victory over the Canadian Legion in a senior A fixture. Result moves the "Y" back into a first-place tie with K.V.'s for the league leadership, each unit having five wins and three defeats.

Coach Archie McKinnon of the red and white clad hoopers stripped Red Mason and Gar Taylor for the first time in last night's game in an effort to bolster the club and the move paid dividends. Johnny Field, member of the Spencers' intermediate B club, also saw action for the association's quietest, replacing Johnny Clark, lanky centre ace, who is out of action with injuries.

After spotting the Legion an early lead of 6 to 1 in the first quarter the Y.M.C.A. moved ahead 9 to 6 at the 10-minute mark from which point they were never headed. Winners increased their lead to 22 to 18 at the half.

In the second half it was all Jackson, the slim long-shot artist hitting the hoop from every conceivable angle as the "Y" took command of the tilt to outplay the veterans. Superior height of the winners paid off in controlling the backboards during the second half.

Vic Dale was second high for the "Y" with 11 points while

Teams and scores follow:

Legion—Fox 6, Hall 5, Creed, Chumstance, Baker 12, Watson 10, Lons 4.
Y.M.C.A.—Bry 22, Jackson 25, Oude-Smith 8, Wright 1, Taylor, Mason 2, Clarkson 2, Strath 5, Field.
H.B.C.—Castillo—15, Trevelyan, Carlson 8, Stevens 3, B. Stevens 10, Peden 5, Murray.
Comets—McDonald 5, J. Bradshaw 5, Baran 4, Mallison 2, D. Bradshaw 2, Lennett, Blair 4, Clabby 1, Haseck 4.
Tillikums—Mathews 15, Davison, Green, Deane, McGee 2, Don, McGee, Bentley 9, Ritchie 2, Robinson 4, Allen 1.
First United—Ackerley 5, Nash 4, Oakley 7, Day 5, Nicholson, Mackie, Bord 4.

Ewell Blackwell Signs With Reds For Nice Increase

CINCINNATI (AP)—Long, lean Ewell Blackwell, whose whip-like arm made him the best right-handed pitcher in baseball last year, Wednesday signed a contract with Cincinnati Reds for 1948.

Terms of the contract were not announced by Warren Giles, president of the Reds, but it was apparent from a statement he made that Blackwell had been given a substantial boost in pay. Cincinnati sports writers guessed the salary would be between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

Blackwell in 1947 won 16 games in a row, pitched a no-hitter and came back a few days later to get within two putouts of another when Brooklyn bats exploded for two safeties.

He ended the year a tired pitcher but with a record of 22 games won and eight lost. He led all moundmen in strikeouts with 193.

"Blackie told me he is very happy with the salary arrangements we worked out," Giles said in a statement.

Blackwell, 26, is six feet five inches tall and his playing weight is 185 pounds. The coming season will be his third with the Reds.

VANCOUVER WRESTLING
VANCOUVER (CP)—Professional wrestling returned here last night and about 2,200 fans sat in the house-warming as Frank Stojack, Pacific Coast junior heavyweight champ, spun Vancouver's Jack McLaughlin for the only fall of the six-heat contest.

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Jockey Garner Draws 30-Day Suspension

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP)—Jockey Willie Garner Wednesday was suspended for 30 days by the Santa Anita Park board of stewards. He was accused of rough riding on Miss Mommy, which finished fourth in the \$50,000 Santa Susana Stakes last Saturday.

SWIMMERS MEET

A general meeting of the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club will be held Friday night at the Crystal Garden, starting at 8. The splash party planned for Friday has been postponed until next month.

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Former Poacher In Quebec Now Urges Conservation

QUEBEC (CP)—Maurice Lavigne's ardent wish, with 1948 in its infancy, is that the game wardens outsmart more poachers than ever before and, oddly enough, Lavigne is the first to admit that not too long ago his New Year's resolves were just the reverse.

The 37-year-old Quebec gunsmith, an expert at using a rifle as he is with his keep, declares: "No one likes it to be said he is a poacher. But if it helps conservation any, I don't mind if you tell that I used to be one."

100-TO-30 RATIO

Leaving over the counter in his little shop in narrow St. Ambroise Street, wearing a green eyeshade and puffing a cigar, he tells you that he knows the bush around Quebec from 20 years' experience, a good deal of it as a night hunter, which the law doesn't like.

But not so long ago, it came to him that Quebec's deer would have a short life if killed by poachers at the rate of 100 for every 30 shot by hunters observing the law.

Overnight, he became an apostle of protection of wild life in Quebec's forests and streams. His circle's Club de Chasse Savane also became strictly conservationist, enforcing on its members rules that mean exclusion as quick as you can say "jacklight" for any who break the hunting laws.

Lavigne said now another district club is on the same basis and that fish and game clubs elsewhere in Quebec are forming a federation dedicated to conservation.

SELF-TAUGHT GUNSMITH

Lavigne taught himself the gunsmith's trade from magazines and books well enough to design an automatic rifle that got attention from the British War Office. With the war, he was appointed armorer at the Valcartier Arsenal on Quebec's outskirts.

Having tried hunting with a camera, he now has a new idea—bow and arrow.

"Hunting might be sport again that way, though I would almost be satisfied now to creep up to a deer, give it a pat or two and just let it go."

Barbara Scott At 6 a.m. Practices For Prague Event

PRAGUE (CP)—It was early to bed and the alarm clock set for 5 a.m. for Barbara Ann Scott, women's world figure-skating champion from Ottawa, who arrived Wednesday by plane from Switzerland to prepare for the defence of her European figure-skating crown Jan. 18 to 19.

Miss Scott plans to be on the ice at the winter stadium by 6 o'clock each morning. It is dark in Prague at that hour but stadium authorities promised to have the rink illuminated.

Accompanied by her mother and her trainer, Sheldon Galbraith, Miss Scott received a warm welcome at Ruzyně airport.

"It is nice to be among old friends again," she said as she unpacked at the Opera Hotel, a small hotel near the stadium which is internationally known to ice skaters.

Among those who greeted the world champion were Jirina Nekolova, former Czechoslovak women's figure-skating champion, and Dr. Valdimir Koudelka, one of the leading Czech coaches. Miss Nekolova, who was a guest of Miss Scott in Canada, brought the Ottawa girl a bouquet and letters were exchanged.

Barbara said the early practice would give her a chance to use the entire rink, instead of the smaller practice surface, before the rink is opened for public skating.

Canada's Olympic Ice Squad Departs For Lengthy Tour

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's Olympic hockey team, R.C.A.F. Flyers, awoke today to their last day in Canada for three months.

The Flyers were scheduled to leave late today on a junket which will take them to the ice of most European countries, and the team and its officials exuded confidence as it shyly accepted its going-away plaudits.

"We've never claimed it was a top-notch senior Canadian team," said manager A. G. (Sandy) Watson, a squadron leader in charge of R.C.A.F. health service, but its good squad by intermediate A standards.

Most of the boys will go in air force blue, since all but a handful, even of the hastily-collected civilians called in to bolster the team at the last minute, are R.C.A.F. reservists with the right to wear the uniform.

Now a team that has earned the respect of local experts, despite failure in its earlier trials, the Flyers will go 20 men strong, including 17 players, manager Watson, coach Cpl. Frank Boucher, and trainer George McPaul.

Young Boucher officially took over as coach yesterday at a luncheon at which his father, George (Buck) Boucher, was presented with a gift of silverware for his work in selecting and training the Flyers in Canada.

Kramer Regains Lead In Pro Tennis Play

HERSHEY, Pa. (AP)—Jack Kramer, a newcomer in the ranks of pro tennis, took the lead in the play-for-play series when he defeated Bobby Riggs, the world champion, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3, Wednesday night.

Kramer, twice amateur champion of the United States, now holds a 5 to 4 edge in the series, which opened in New York and will be played out in 35 cities. In a preliminary match, Francisco (Pancho) Segura, Ecuador's colorful star, walloped Denny Pails of Australia, a former member of the Davis Cup team, 6-4, 6-2.

Airplane tires that start rotating before the plane hits the ground thus absorbing much of the landing shock, are used on many airliners.

Spring And Winter



W. J. Hyde, 78 years of age, who has been roller skating for 65 years and can still kick a mean figure on the boards, is seen with nine-year-old Carol Naughton during a session at the Victoria Roller Bowl. Hyde is a former outstanding figure skater while petite Carol is rapidly developing into a polished fancy and dance performer.

Patrick Would Have Old-Time Stars Named To Hall Of Fame

KINGSTON, Ont. (CP)—Lester Patrick, former New York Rangers coach, recently named to hockey's hall of fame here, today suggested that all sections of the Dominion be given a voice in naming players to the hall of fame.

To make this possible, he recommended at a joint meeting of the hall's board of governors and the 21-member Kingston committee that the number of governors be increased from nine to 16.

A further suggestion by Patrick, who also is a member of the board of governors, that old-time stars of the sport be named to hockey's honor roll before they fade from public memory met with opposition from Art Ross of Boston who contended it was necessary to select stars who are well-known to present-day fans.

The joint meeting reached general agreement on Patrick's proposal for an increase in the number of governors and agreed that the governors should be free to name their own selection committee for the hall of fame without reference to the Kingston committee.

The meeting also decided that a method should be found to raise funds for the erection of a hall of fame building.

George Barnes Signs With Oak Bay Club

George Barnes, who a few weeks ago threw away his soccer referee's whistle in order to return to the status of a player, has been signed by the Oak Bay club of the intermediate league it was announced last night.

The ex-whistle tooter will probably play inside left for Oak Bay in the match against Saanich Thistles Saturday at Windsor Park.

Stan Maxwell Draws Interest Of Rangers

NORTH BAY, Ont. (CP)—New York Rangers have placed Stan Maxwell, North Bay hockey player who now is starring with Lethbridge Maple Leafs of the Western Canada Senior Hockey League, on their reserve list, it was learned today.

Placement on the reserve list means that Maxwell will attend the Ranger training camp next fall. Formerly he was on Chicago Black Hawks reserve list and twice went to the Hawks Regina training camp.

Graham Suggests Coast Ball League Fight Major Draft

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Plans by which the Pacific Coast League will carry on its fight for recognition as a third major league were outlined today by Charles Graham, president of the San Francisco Baseball Club.

Graham, who said the program would be discussed at the next league meeting in Los Angeles, Jan. 26-27, declared: "We will insist that the majors make plans to forget us in the annual drafting of our players. We will not accept a draft of one of our players who has not played in our league for at least six years."

"And after that period, the majors may put in a draft, but we will insist that a board of arbitration be appointed to decide the value of the player and he will not go to the majors unless they pay the stipulated price."

"If the majors turn us down on this fair offer, then we will defy them completely. We will break our major-minor agreement, which still has eight years to run. We will refuse to permit our players to be drafted in any year. We will pay salaries that will match the majors. We are prepared to go to court if necessary to fight this thing. The proposed board should consist of a man selected by the majors, one selected by us, with Commissioner A. B. Chandler presiding. We will abide by the findings of the board."

"This is the attitude of the San Francisco club. We have not officially contacted other club owners, but we are confident they will back our stand."

REGINA WINS

REGINA (CP)—Regina Capitals climbed back into a first-place tie with Calgary Stampers in the Western Canada Senior Hockey League Wednesday night by virtue of a 6 to 2 win over the lowly Lethbridge Maple Leafs.

TIDES									
Jan.	Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low
1	1:24	9.9	0.7	8:01	10.5	0.9	10:44	6.1	1.1
2	2:01	8.1	0.3	8:11	10.1	0.5	11:17	5.4	0.4
3	2:31	6.3	0.0	8:20	9.3	0.2	11:47	4.7	0.1
4	3:00	4.5	0.0	8:28	8.5	0.0	12:17	4.0	0.0
5	3:28	2.7	0.0	8:36	7.7	0.0	12:47	3.3	0.0
6	3:56	1.0	0.0	8:44	6.9	0.0	1:17	2.6	0.0
7	4:24	0.2	0.0	8:52	6.1	0.0	1:47	1.9	0.0
8	4:52	0.0	0.0	9:00	5.3	0.0	2:17	1.2	0.0
9	5:20	0.0	0.0	9:08	4.5	0.0	2:47	0.5	0.0
10	5:48	0.0	0.0	9:16	3.7	0.0	3:17	0.0	0.0
11	6:16	0.0	0.0	9:24	2.9	0.0	3:47	0.0	0.0
12	6:44	0.0	0.0	9:32	2.1	0.0	4:17	0.0	0.0
13	7:12	0.0	0.0	9:40	1.3	0.0	4:47	0.0	0.0
14	7:40	0.0	0.0	9:48	0.5	0.0	5:17	0.0	0.0
15	8:08	0.0	0.0	9:56	0.0	0.0	5:47	0.0	0.0
16	8:36	0.0	0.0	10:04	0.0	0.0	6:17	0.0	0.0
17	9:04	0.0	0.0	10:12	0.0	0.0	6:47	0.0	0.0
18	9:32	0.0	0.0	10:20	0.0	0.0	7:17	0.0	0.0
19	10:00	0.0	0.0	10:28	0.0	0.0	7:47	0.0	0.0
20	10:28	0.0	0.0	10:36	0.0	0.0	8:17	0.0	0.0
21	10:56	0.0	0.0	10:44	0.0	0.0	8:47	0.0	0.0
22	11:24	0.0	0.0	10:52	0.0	0.0	9:17	0.0	0.0
23	11:52	0.0	0.0	11:00	0.0	0.0	9:47	0.0	0.0
24	12:20	0.0	0.0	11:08	0.0	0.0	10:17	0.0	0.0
25	12:48	0.0	0.0	11:16	0.0	0.0	10:47	0.0	0.0
26	1:16	0.0	0.0	11:24	0.0	0.0	11:17	0.0	0.0
27	1:44	0.0	0.0	11:32	0.0	0.0	11:47	0.0	0.0
28	2:12	0.0	0.0	11:40	0.0	0.0	12:17	0.0	0.0
29	2:40	0.0	0.0	11:48	0.0	0.0	12:47	0.0	0.0
30	3:08	0.0	0.0	11:56	0.0	0.0	1:17	0.0	0.0
31	3:36	0.0	0.0	12:04	0.0	0.0	1:47	0.0	0.0

SUNRISE AND SUNSET
Jan. 8—Sunrise, 8:05; sunset, 5:15.

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Webster Succeeds LeBourdais As Whip For Liberal Members

Appointment of James L. Webster, Liberal Coalition member of the B.C. Legislature for Rossland-Trail, as Liberal whip for the forthcoming session of the legislative assembly, was announced today by Premier Byron I. Johnson.

First entering the political arena in the general election of 1945, Mr. Webster at the last session of the Legislature seconded the resolution in reply to the Speech from the Throne. He succeeds the late Louis LeBourdais of Cariboo.

While Mr. LeBourdais was absent because of illness at the last session, R. H. Carson, Liberal Coalition member for Kamloops, acted as Liberal whip. Mr. Carson will be recommended to the House as Speaker to succeed Mr. Justice Norman W. Whittaker, who has resigned following his appointment to the B.C. Supreme Court Bench.

Mr. Webster will probably serve with D. C. Brown, Conservative Coalition member for Vancouver-Burrard, who during the last session acted as Conservative whip.

A native of England, having lived in Canada since 1911, Mr. Webster for many years has served on the staff of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited, as a cost accountant. He is also a director of the Kootenay Broadcasting Company Limited, and a member of the Kiwanis Club and Board of Trade.

The monthly meeting of Victoria and District Chrysanthemum Society will be held at the City Hall Thursday night at 8.

Meeting To Plan Publicity Campaign

Aiming for an early start in this year's advertising campaign to bring more tourists to British Columbia and Washington State, the advertising committee of the Evergreen Playground Association will meet at the Seattle Chamber of Commerce tomorrow.

The committee is expected to ratify a layout for a new travel folder which is to be lithographed in great quantity and distributed throughout the United States. It is also expected to give final approval to advertising copy to be used in carrying to prospective visitors the tremendous recreational and entertainment facilities to be found here throughout the year.

The Evergreen Playground Association, oldest of its kind, is jointly sponsored by the Seattle and Tacoma Chambers of Commerce, the State of Washington, the Province of British Columbia, the Vancouver Tourist Association, Seattle hotels, the Olympic Peninsula Hotel and Resort Owners' Association, and the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau.

George I. Warren, commissioner of the bureau here, will leave Victoria tonight to attend tomorrow's committee meeting. Association President Leo Sweeney of Vancouver will also attend the meeting.

Tenders Submitted For 2 Buildings

Tenders for construction of \$1,500,000 worth of buildings in two projects were opened today by the provincial works department.

For the biological science and pharmacy building of the University of British Columbia, two tenders were submitted for the general contract—Marwell Construction Co. Ltd., \$815,781, and Commonwealth Construction Co. Ltd., \$903,396.

For the plumbing in the same building the following tenders were submitted: Lockerbie & Hole Ltd., \$119,696; Fred Walsh & Son, \$121,400; Barr & Anderson Ltd., \$123,800; E. Roe Ltd., \$126,760; and Leck & Co., \$129,200. For the heating and ventilating work in the same building the following bids were submitted: Leck & Co., \$122,778; Barr & Anderson Ltd., \$127,450; Lockerbie & Hole Ltd., \$129,796; Fred Walsh & Son, \$131,330; and E. Roe Ltd., \$134,545.

Hume & Rumble Ltd., which tendered to do the work for \$104,058 was the only firm to submit a bid for the electrical contract in the U.B.C. building.

For the second project, a nurses' residence at the Essendon dental hospital, the tender of Dawson & Hall Ltd., \$403,860, was the only one submitted.

Coalition Nomination Sought By Arthur Ash

Arthur J. R. Ash, president of the Saanich Liberal Association, announced today he would seek the Coalition nomination for the forthcoming provincial by-election in Saanich Feb. 23.

Mr. Ash is the third person to announce his candidacy for the nomination. No date has yet been announced for the convention.

A veteran of two and a half years' service with the Canadian army, Mr. Ash served on the city council of Ottawa for eight years. He now operates a Quadra Street grocery store.

Monthly meeting of the Canadian Scottish Rememorial Association will be held at Bay Street Armories Friday evening at 8.

All They Can Do Is Look



Money alone buys practically nothing in scarcity-ridden Germany these days. To purchase a book, you must have the equivalent in old paper plus the price of the book. Above, two Stuttgart boys hope their three-foot long discarded voting list will be enough to exchange for a school book. At right, children in the U.S. Sector of Berlin gaze longingly at a toy display in a shop window. All the items are marked, "Not for Sale—for Display Only."

Victoria Scenes Featured In Exhibition At Robert House

By AUDREY ST.D. JOHNSON

An exhibition of distinguished water colors and pastels by Owen and Elizabeth Goward, currently showing in the Uganda Room at Prince Robert House, is a reminder of the urgency of finding suitable quarters for the Arts Centre of Greater Victoria which is sponsoring the show. The room is pleasant and well lighted in part and the pictures show to fair advantage, but when work of this calibre is being done by Victoria artists, it seems wasteful that it should not have a more permanent home.

After one visit I found myself pressed by a desire to return. Certain pictures stayed with me and I was eager to look at them again. How often one hears the comment regarding a picture: "Very interesting composition but I wouldn't want to live with it," which I take to mean that the picture is either so insistent or so unvarnished in theme that it hangs on the wall of your home, it would soon become either boring or disturbingly abusive.

Mr. Goward's water colors on the other hand, have a quality that would make them a welcome companion in any room, for they allow you to observe them as you observe the view across the bay—they are absolute nature without being slavish in their reproduction. His technique is broad and simple, avoiding detail that would disturb the particular atmosphere or clutter the single vivid impression. He is an artist who uses color fearlessly but sensitively and the result is translucent, lively brilliance without hardness, refreshing to the eye and mind.

The majority of the water colors perpetuate Victoria scenes but there is a group dealing with various aspects of Mount Hood which is among the finest in the exhibition. Trees engage Mr. Goward's attention in several studies in which he captures their essential character, their mood of sublimity beauty with a technique that is as effortless as it is charming. Among these, I liked especially, "The Maple Tree," "The Oak Tree 'Briarbrae'" and "Top of the Fir."

A half-dozen or so, fascinating pastel portraits form the contribution of Elizabeth Goward. Her child portraits have a singular and outstanding appeal. In them she seems to have captured that elusive, fleeting joy that is the essence of childhood. This is probably partly due to her excessively easy and expressive technique and her clever use of alternating cool and warm tones. However, to attempt a close analysis is scarcely likely to reveal her whole secret, which is a unique and natural gift.

The exhibition, which was opened on Tuesday, by Leigh Burpee Robinson, will continue daily between the hours of 11 and 5.30 until Saturday, Jan. 17.

Satellite Soviet Lands To Recognize Greek Communists

LONDON (AP)—Eastern Europe's Soviet satellites are preparing to recognize the Communist Greek "government" of Markos Vafiades despite western warnings that the move will bring about a major international crisis, diplomatic authorities representing those countries said here today.

The informants, who said the ultimate objective of the Communists was to capture Athens itself, predicted that recognition of the Vafiades regime was at most a question of months.

Only Wednesday Britain and the United States advised Yugoslavia and Bulgaria of the "serious implications" of such a step, which they said, would be contrary to the principles of the United Nations' charter.

Reinforcing this warning was a disclosure that Britain had deferred a scheduled early evacuation of her 5,000 troops in Greece.

Moreover, official spokesmen said, she has reached a "broad agreement" with the United States not only on joint diplomatic action to be taken in the event of recognition, but also on military steps to support the Athens regime in its fluctuating fight against the guerrillas.

The Foreign Office, without saying so formally, takes the view that the fall of Greece to Communist-led guerrillas might precipitate a political landslide of grave nature in the Middle East.

With Greece under Communist control, Russia would have a strong foothold in the eastern Mediterranean which would enable her to dominate not only the economically weak Arab states but also the west-inclined countries of southern Europe.

Turkey would be effectively isolated from the west by a chain of states sympathetic to Russia's international policies.

The route to Arab countries producing much of the world's oil would be accessible only with difficulty.

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British observers regarded the speech as a cautious retreat from the west to the east, indicating that Turkey believes Russia is determined to attain long-time security and the only way of escaping catastrophe is to come to terms with her.

More Sailors Give Blood To Red Cross

One hundred and seventy-five donations were made this morning by naval ratings to the Red Cross mobile blood clinic which is stationed at H.M.C.S. Naden, it was reported at noon today by Donald H. Seymour, public relations officer for the Red Cross.

Mr. Seymour further stated that 150 other sailors would give donations this afternoon.

Yesterday, 280 donations were made at the clinic. Today's donations will bring the two-day total to more than 600.

Government Cancels Kennedy Lake Reserves

Land reserves on the foreshore of Kennedy Lake, Kennedy River and Mill Bay arm of Tofino Inlet, established 20 years ago when plans were considered to harness the water power of that system, have been canceled by the provincial government.

The lifting of the reserves opens the way for logging operations in the area. The cancellation was made because no action had been taken to develop the hydro-electric resources of the river.

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A cribbage tournament tonight at the Esquimalt Legion Hall, 622 Admirals Road, will start the midwinter activities of the branch.



1 Island Company, 17 Others Formed During First Week

First week of the New Year saw the incorporation of 18 new firms under the Companies Act at the Parliament Buildings, including but one Vancouver Island company, Buck Motors Ltd., Nanaimo, with authorized capital of \$50,000.

From Vancouver the following firms were registered: Esquimalt Fire Prevention & Safety Co. Ltd., \$30,000; James Builders Ltd., \$150,000; Coldwater Hotel Ltd., \$10,000; Dad's Cookie Co. (B.C.) Ltd., 100 shares, no par value; Gibson's Dairy Ltd., \$50,000; Mutual Holdings Ltd., 150,000 shares, no par value; Leigh Holdings Ltd., \$10,000; Holly's Food Market Ltd., \$20,000; Kam Yen Jan (1948) Ltd., \$60,000; Vasseur Bros. Ltd., 50 shares, no par value; B.C. Weather-Ads Ltd., \$50,000 and 10,000 shares, no par value; Lama-Wood Products Ltd., \$100,000; Canuck Theatre & Art Productions Ltd., 5,000 shares, no par value, and Vivian Holdings Ltd., \$255,000.

From elsewhere in B.C. the following firms were registered: Zamora Forest Products Ltd., \$10,000; Westbridge, and Garnett Valley Cannery Ltd., 102 shares, no par value.

Extra-provincially there were registered: American Gold Fields, \$300,000, with head offices Portland, Ore., and head B.C. office, Vancouver; Imperial Trading Co. Ltd., 20,000 shares, no par value, Calgary and Vancouver; Macco Corporation of California, \$750,000, Clearwater, Calif., and Vancouver, and Pacific Western Lumber Co., \$200,000, Portland and Vancouver.

Registered under the Societies Act were Christina Lake Community Club, Cascade, and Kamloops Italian Society, Kamloops.

10 Applicants For Arena Foreman's Job

Ten applications were received by the arena committee for the position of foreman for the construction to be completed, Ald. Waldo Skillings, chairman, said following a meeting today.

The committee has arranged to interview all applicants Friday afternoon, he said.

At the same time more blueprints were received by the committee from C. T. Hamilton, consulting engineer, and the possible availability of materials for an early start on the building was thoroughly discussed.

Princess To Join Ex-King Michael

COPENHAGEN (AP)—Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma will leave tomorrow with her parents for Lausanne, Switzerland, to join former King Michael of Romania, a member of the royal household announced. Anne and Michael are expected to be married soon.

In Bucharest it was announced that the former king will be permitted to keep his yacht and private plane. A report there said the yacht, the Luceafarul, would leave Braila for Genoa, Italy, as soon as travel papers are obtained for a party of 12 to sail aboard her.

Preparations also were said under way for taking the ex-king's transport plane out of Romania. Crew members have been given permission to take their families with them—eight persons all told.

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City Briefs

P. J. Lahrosse, 1261 Denman Street, has written Mayor Percy George suggesting that Langford would be an ideal location for the open-air theatre where a partially constructed building is now located.

William McMichael, principal of George Jay School, reported to city police this morning the school was entered overnight. Nothing is missing, but lockers and drawers in the principal's office and the teachers' lunch room were ransacked.

Women members of the Y.M.C.A. may now enter classes in calisthenics, volleyball, basketball and swimming under the direction of physical director Archie McKinnon. Classes are held Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10.

Giles Province was the recipient of a farewell token in the form of a wallet containing new currency which was presented to him on the eve of his retirement from the federal civil service by a gathering of C.E. & M. branch employees of H.M.C. Dockyard, Esquimalt.

Boy Scouts are being asked to assist in a survey of parking problems of Victoria carried on by the Town Planning Commission, M. K. Crockett, secretary, states. The boys will take questionnaires to tenants of downtown buildings in a block bounded by Douglas, Yates, Blanshard and View Streets. The information gained will be used by the commission as a basis for recommendations on the provision of adequate parking space.

The annual meeting of the Greater Victoria May 24th celebration committee will be held in the city Council Chamber, Friday, Jan. 23, at 8 o'clock, the City Council was informed today. Election of officers will take place and all organizations within the city who wish to participate in the celebrations may send delegates. The City Council has named Ald. Edward Williams and Ald. C. F. Banfield as its representatives.

Doukhobor Women Now In Penitentiary

KINGSTON, Ont. (CP)—Eleven Doukhobor women, sentenced in Vernon, B.C., and Nelson, B.C., to terms ranging from three to eight years, arrived Wednesday under escort and were lodged in the women's prison at the Portsmouth Penitentiary.

The transfer from a special train coach to the prison was made without incident.

The women were sentenced after conviction on charges of arson arising from Doukhobor fire raids on British Columbia settlements.

Water Ruled Impure

NANAIMO, B.C. (CP)—Ninety-eight families in the South-Five Acres district of Nanaimo are in a quandary today following a ruling by federal and provincial health authorities that the source of their household water supply is impure and unfit for human consumption.

Canadian Collieries Ltd., have supplied water to the homes for 40 years, tapping it from reservoirs behind what is known as the collieries dam.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
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Desperate Need Of Accommodation For Elderly And Sick

A plea for nursing and boarding home accommodation for the city's aged and convalescents was made today by Mrs. F. Mutrie, social welfare administrator. She said she had six urgent cases of elderly people desperately in need of accommodation where they could receive care, but had not one bed in which they could be placed.

"It is a pretty grim situation," Mrs. Mutrie commented, "when we have to wait for someone to die before we can place an elderly or sick person where they can receive care."

She said she would like to have accommodation on file for at least 50, because she is constantly receiving calls for assistance. "Many of these people, most of them elderly, are not in the indigent class," she stressed. "Families and doctors often come to us for assistance in placement because they can find nothing privately."

She said two types of licenses are issued, the first for private hospital, which can take bed-ridden patients. This type, she explained, requires trained nurses on the premises and must fulfil other fairly rigid requirements.

The second type is called a welfare institution, and is planned for the care of elderly people or convalescents who require assistance but not bedside nursing. Requirements are not so rigid here.

She said accommodation is needed for both men and women, and occasionally for an elderly couple.

Educational Talks For Credit Granters

This year the annual credit conference for British Columbia and the Puget Sound area will take the form of a credit school to be held for one full day at the Empress Hotel, Jan. 19.

This credit school will be devoted to educational talks, also skits and talks on how to and how not to handle every department of credit granting.

Speakers from the larger centres of the mainland will be present and will discuss problems peculiar to this district from every angle.

A large attendance is anticipated as credit granters gather to gain up-to-date credit knowledge to meet present conditions.

A sound film of "Pluto," the English Channel pipe line, will be shown at a meeting of the Victoria branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada, Jan. 16, at 8 in Prince Robert House. H. C. Anderson, chief engineer of the B.C. Department of Public Works, will speak on "Our Highway System."

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Plan Early Use Of Airpark Site At Gordon Head

Plans are now under way to try to make use of the Gordon Head Airpark site as soon as certain levelling operations are completed, W. A. Scott, spokesman for the Greater Victoria Memorial Airpark Association said Wednesday.

"The federal government has granted permission for the site to be used as an emergency air strip until such times as it can be developed to a state where a full license can be issued," Mr. Scott said.

Forest Fire Loss In 1947 Small

Forest fires in British Columbia during 1947 cost a total of \$309,230, \$500,000 less than the annual average for the last 10 years.

Breakdown of the total showed that the loss was made up of \$167,193 for forest products destroyed, \$140 for buildings, and \$69,617 for logging and railway equipment.

In 1946 the total loss was \$357,980. The all-time low in forest fire loss was in 1943 when the total was \$133,000.

Lightning continued as the greatest single cause of fires. It was blamed for 326 of the 1,327 fires recorded.

Second greatest cause was railways, blamed for 265; while campers and travelers were reported as the cause for 193 fires.

4 Engineers Named To Association Council

Four provincial government representatives to the council of the Association of Professional Engineers were appointed Wednesday by order-in-council they will serve for one year.

The new representatives are: Dr. Hartley Sargent, Victoria, chief engineer for the provincial mines department; N. M. McCallum, Vancouver, chemical engineer; W. O. Richmond, University of B.C. mechanical engineer, and Professor J. E. Liersch, Powell River forest engineer.

JAIL FOR DRUNKEN DRIVING

Karl Leib was found guilty today in city police court on a charge of being intoxicated while in control of a car and was sentenced to seven days in jail by Magistrate H. C. Hall. Evidence was that he was in an accident with another car driven by Robert Watson at 10.10 on the night of Dec. 16 on Gorge Road. The magistrate also suspended the driver's license for one year.

The British Columbia Aviation Council has given its unanimous support to the establishment of a Memorial Airpark at Gordon Head, B. J. Gadsden, one of Victoria's representatives, stated Wednesday. A convention is planned by the council in Vancouver Sept. 19, 20 and 21 for the Northwest Aviation Planning Council, he reported.

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Child Welfare Head At Edmonton Reads No Welfare Books.

EDMONTON (CP)—The Royal Commission appointed by the Alberta government to investigate welfare conditions in the province today heard Frank Drayton, superintendent of the Edmonton children's aid department, say he had been "in the business" 22 years and still did not consider himself ready to graduate as a welfare worker.

He told E. D. Arnold, legal counsel for the Calgary Herald, that he did not get periodicals issued by Canadian and United States welfare organizations. Mr. Arnold said the provincial welfare committee set up in 1943 had recommended that principles enunciated by these organizations should be followed. Mr. Drayton answered "we have not complied with that."

He said he was not in favor of voluntary workers, but community organizations were doing valuable work along recreational lines.

"We have better children in Edmonton than any other city in Canada," Mr. Drayton said. He said he had visited Toronto and other cities on the continent.

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SNOW VICTIM—A victim of the east's heavy winter weather is this 96-year-old Methodist Church at Pleasantville, N.Y. The church roof collapsed under the load of ice and snow and the walls were so seriously damaged that the building probably will have to be torn down.

6 Deaths Counted As Flood Waters In Oregon Recede

By Associated Press

Six floodwater deaths were counted today in the Pacific Northwest as rivers began to recede throughout widely scattered valley areas of Oregon, Washington and northern Idaho.

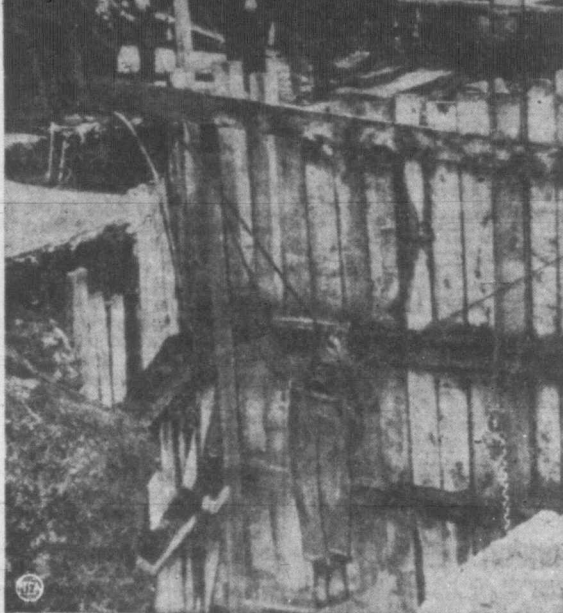
Oregon's central Willamette Valley areas, however, braced for the flood crest striking today at Salem, the capital city.

Five of the drownings were in Oregon—three persons in a Rogue River cable car, a horseman attempting to ford Olalla Creek, and a 20-month-old St. Louis child who fell into a ditch. Washington's lone death, reported today, was Leland H. Williamson, 24, a White Salmon, Wash., tractor driver who plunged into a swollen stream when a bridge gave way under his machine.

Freezing temperatures over the inland Empire country of eastern Washington and northern Idaho Wednesday night sharply reduced stream flow.

The Palouse River was down markedly today, easing the situation at Pullman, Wash., where 300 Washington State College students had been evacuated from trailer houses.

At St. Maries, Idaho, lowland residents were prepared Wednesday night to flee, but recession of the water spared their homes.



OUT OF THE PIT—Rescuers pull Mike Caruso to safety after he was trapped and covered with 35 feet of dirt when a sewer caved in at Homestead, Pa. Two of his companions escaped through the sewer main.

PRISCILLA'S POP



Abbott Signs For \$300,000,000 Loan U.S. To Canada

WASHINGTON (CP)—Finance Minister Abbott today signed a loan agreement with the Export-Import Bank under which Canada will borrow \$300,000,000 at 2½ per cent interest, repayable in three installments three, four and five years after withdrawal.

The amount, which may be withdrawn any time up to the end of 1948, was authorized and announced just before the Canadian government imposed its import restrictions last Dec. 17.

The Canadian Finance Minister

told a press conference today that but for the assurance he had received that the loan would be granted, the import restrictions would have been more severe.

The credit will be used to buy United States raw materials and machinery necessary to maintain Canadian economy, he said. No commercial loan was being considered at the moment, but was not to be ruled out as a possible source of credit from the U.S. later this year.

TRADE FACT

On the subject of a more extensive trade agreement with the United States, which he has discussed in Parliament, he said the United States officials he had talked to here were "sympathetic."

He was anxious to see a new

agreement "more extensive" than that involved in the Geneva agreements now before Parliament.

The Finance Minister, who arrived Wednesday, planned to leave late today for New York, where he will spend Friday. He is to reach Montreal early Saturday.

He told questioners that while he could not commit the government in advance, he was sure that it would be the policy to continue helping the United Kingdom and other European countries as resources permitted.

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